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A Crazy Socialist's Demand on Russell Sage.

TWELVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS

Cash in Hand, on Pain of Instant Annihilation—Terribly in Earnest—The Death-Dealing Consequences of Failure to Comply.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A terrific explosion occurred at 12:25 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the old Union Trust building, at 69, 71 and 73 Broadway. It is also known as the "Arcade." It runs through to Trinity place, and is used for egress from the Rector-street Elevated railroad station. The noise and shock was frightful, and caused a panic in the entire lower part of the city. It was caused by a dynamite bomb exploded in Russell Sage's office. Mr. Sage was badly hurt, but will live. The man who threw the bomb, and one of Mr. Sage's clerks were killed. Several others were killed, and many persons were injured.

The explosion was the work of a fiend, whether insane or not, is yet unknown, who went to Russell Sage's office with the purpose of assassinating him. The story is that at 12:15 o'clock a small, well-dressed man, apparently about 35 years old, carrying a leather bag, called at Russell Sage's office, on the second floor of 71 Broadway, and asked for Mr. Sage. He was told that Mr. Sage was busy and could not be seen. The man persisted and continued to talk in a loud tone. Mr. Sage, who was in an inner office, came out to see what was the matter. He asked the man what was wanted. The man said:

"I demand a private interview with you."

Mr. Sage inquired with what he could oblige.

The man with the satchel replied: "We want," he said, slowly and distinctly, "$1,200,000. We want them right here and now."

Mr. Sage started back, but instantly recovering his presence of mind, said it was a great deal of money, and that he would have to think about it. He knew that he was dealing with a crank, and was sparring for time. But subterfuges were in vain with this crank. He had no time to wait, and he said so. "We cannot wait. I told your clerk our business was urgent. The money is wanted now. In this satchel I have dynamite, pounds of it. Unless you hand over the money, up she goes."

Mr. Sage made one more attempt to temporize. He had not got the money, he said; his visitor might come again.

At the word the man made an angry gesture and raising the sachel at arms' length, "You will not?" he said, "then here goes."

An explosion followed which almost raised the roof from the building, and Mr. Sage was blown clear through the doorway of his private office, and across the room He landed in a bank of rubbish.

The stranger was thrown against the partition and most severely injured.

The persons in Mr. Sage's office at the time of the explosion were: Mr. Sage, his brother-in-law, Col. Slocum; C. E. James, of 7 Nassau street; B. F. Norton, of Far Rockaway, C. W. Osborn, of Brooklyn, and Mr. Menzies, attaches of the office; Frank Robinson, of Bergen Point, a messenger boy and the bomb thrower. All of these were either killed or more or less severely injured. The wounded ones were taken to O'Connell's drug store, across the way, where their injuries were attended to.

The occupants of the building rushed pell mell into the street, their faces pale with fright. Most of them thought at first that the building had tumbled in, and that there was to be a repetition of the Park place horror.

When the explosion occurred there was a great rush of air from below. The building rocked and shook and the floors seemed to rise up. Everywhere the walls were cracked and big lumps of plaster, loosened from the ceiling, fell with a crash.

The panic in the upper stories was something awful. People ran over and trampled upon each other in their mad haste to get down the stairways. There were two elevators in operation, both filled with passengers at the time. How they escaped death no one knows, for the confusion was so great for half an hour after the occurrence that no details of the narrow escapes that many must have had could be obtained.

The scene in the wrecked office of Russel Sage after the explosion was one of ruin and chaos. The large main office has a smaller office on each side. The explosion apparently occurred in the main office, and expended its force westward toward the larger of the smaller offices, and through it to the offices of the elevated railway. In Mr. Sage's main office the furniture was overturned and broken. The walls and ceilings were bared of plaster in great patches; the little closet built under the wash basin was wrecked; broken ink bottles and other office implements were scattered about, and valuable papers were strewn over the floor. The safe lay in the midst of the sagging floor, agape with documents enclosed in stout manilla envelopes.

This office communicates immediately with the hallway of the building. The door has over it a brick arch which, before the explosion, was concealed by plaster. The explosion knocked off the plaster on both the inside and outside of the door, and detached part of the brick arch from the wall above. The floor, just in the middle of the main office, has sagged at least six inches below the proper level.

The office to the east, a small one, was not so seriously wrecked. The plaster near the ceiling was knocked off, and all the furniture was covered with plaster. The office to the west was nearly as badly wrecked as the main office. All the windows here, as well as in the other two offices, were broken, and the walls were in a large part bared of plaster.

In the offices of the Manhattan Railway Co. on the same floor with Mr. Sage's office, but farther in the rear toward Trinity place, the shock of the explosion was about as severe as in the front. Window panes were blown out, walls and ceilings were cracked and everything thrown into confusion.

In the Manhattan directors' room, which is in about the center of the building, George Gould and several other members of the board are said to have been holding an executive meeting. They were terribly frightened by the noise, but none of them were hurt.

Across the hallway is an unoccupied room full of books. It looks out over the well under the skylight. All its windows were broken and a part of the furniture was overturned while the floor was strewn with books and other debris. Just to the east of the skylight well, and across the hall from Mr. Sage's offices are the offices of Roussell & Hicks, agents of the Consolidated Coal Co. of Maryland. The windows here were broken and the furniture tossed about.

Just to the south of those offices are the offices of J. F. De Navarro. The office door is at least twenty-five feet from Mr. Sage's office. Nevertheless the windows were all broken, and everybody in the place was badly shaken. De Navarro was cut in one hand by flying glass. The second door hallway, leading to Mr Sage's office, was badly shattered; the floor was covered with debris.

In this hallway, just outside the door leading to Sage's main office, was found the shockingly-mangled body of a man. The trunk and legs were in a state that would have made recognition impossible, but the head, which the police report as having been severed from the body, showed few marks of the explosion. As the trunk and legs lay in a net of rope brought by the firemen, they looked like a bundle of ragged old clothes, and were absolutely without human semblance. The man wore a pointed reddish beard. The face looked like that of a man of education The police from time to time brought little clots of blood from the office and laid them carefully with the body. There was blood on the wall close to the door, through which the man had apparently been blown. The remains have been recognized as those of the dynamiter.

Russell Sage, after the explosion, groped his way out of the passage. His face and hands were dripping with blood. He was almost unconscious. Two men carried him down stairs and across Broadway to a drug store. A few minutes later Mr. Slocum, his brother-in-law, came rushing down stairs. His hands were bleeding and there was a gash on one side of his head. He was also carried to the drug store.

Mr. Sage's clerks, with ringing ears and bleeding faces, deafened, blind and weak, with dust and blood, staggered out into the hall and fell, rather than walked down the stairs They were cared for at the drug store, as were others who were injured

At 1 o'clock a closed carriage drove up to the drug store. Russell Sage, accompanied by two friends, got into it and drove away. He refused to speak of the accident, but one of the gentlemen said: "Mr. Sage's injuries are not serious." Mr. Sage walked to the carriage without assistance. His hands were bandaged. He had his high hat on, but although his face was blood-stained, it wore no bandages

A telephone message at 4 o'clock announces that Mr. Sage is probably much worse hurt than was at first supposed. It was necessary to carry him up the stairs to his door. No one is admitted.

At 1:30 o'clock Coroner Schultze, who had been notified by telephone, arrived on the scene of the explosion. He viewed the remains of the dead gathered up in the net A few moments later he gave orders for their removal.

The list of the dead and injured so far as now known is:

DEAD.

H. W. Wilson, alias Lord, the thrower of the bomb, frightfully mangled and torn.

B. F. Norton, of Far Rockaway, 30 years old; died in Chambers-street hospital.

Unknown man, head and fragments of body picked up on floor and walls of Russell Sage's office: supposed to be a clerk to Mr. Sage.

Unknown man, portions of whose mutilated remains were found in the hallway outside Mr. Sage's office.

MISSING.

F. J. Menzies, 25 years old, typewriter and stenographer to Russell Sage, said to have been blown up by the explosion, may be one of the unkown dead.

INJURED.

Russell Sage, millionaire broker and investor, bleeding from many cuts on the head; partly conscious.

Col. J. J. Slocum, gashed and cut about the face, but not seriously; able to walk away.

C. W. Osborn, cashier for Russell Sage, cut, gashed and bruised from head to foot and probably internally injured. Will probably die.

Wm. Lalor, Wall street broker; cut about the face and head and bruised. At the hospital suffering from shock.

W. R. Laidlaw, at the hospital suffering from many injuries.

Samuel C. Calhoun, telegraph operator, badly bruised and dazed.

Frank Robertson, broker's clerk, badly lacerated and cut; may die.

Unconscious man, supposed to be Samuel Biern, of Hiawatha, Kan.; identification assumed from documents found in pocket.

The fragments of bodies were taken to the morgue.

Eight Buildings Burned.

BLAIR, Neb., Dec 4—Eight buildings were destroyed by fire at 3 o'clock this morning, causing a loss of $100,000.

A DREADFUL CRASH.

A Score of Workmen Buried Under Fallen Walls.

MANY OF THEM KILLED OUTRIGHT,

And Many Others Fatally Injured—The Bodies of the Dead So Crushed and Mutilated as to be Past Identification.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 5.—The most horrible accident that ever occurred in St. Paul took place shortly after 1 o'clock, yesterday, when the center wall of the west section of the Shepard building, recently occupied by Farwell, Ozman & Kirk, fell in, burying the workmen beneath the ruins There were supposed to have been fifteen men beneath the wall at the time it fell, and the majority of them were killed or received injuries which will probably prove fatal.

The patrol wagons of the city were at once summoned and Chief Clark with Chief Jackson and Assistant Chief Martin made an attempt to organize the laborers who were not under the wall and get them to work moving the dead and injured. The men were wild with excitement, however, and it was a long time before more than half a dozen could be induced to go to work. The others ran back and forth around the building, shouting to each other and uttering imprecations against the contractors, or stood gazing blankly on the ruins.

The group that went to work in less than half an hour had taken out ten men, five of whom were killed and five injured, one so severely that the physicians at the ground stated that he could not live until he reached the hospital. By this time a larger gang had been put to work and the work of removing the debris went on rapidly.

Finally, the contractor, Wilcox, was taken out dead and mangled beyond recognition. His head appeared to be mashed to a pulp. The wounded were taken to the City hospital in the patrol wagon and the dead, with the exception of one man, were laid out in the Great northern freight house.

Hundreds of people, including many of the workmen, viewed the remains, but no one was able to identify any of the men. Finally, the name of one of the dead laborers was ascertained to be Chris Larson. Later the foreman of the gang was about the building, but was frantic with grief and excitement, and could not tell the names of any of the men, although he knew them all, neither could he tell the exact number of men under the wall at the time it fell.

The cause of the accident as far as can be learned was that the wall, which was much weakened by the fire, became topheavy when the large amount of debris was removed from the bottom and fell of its own weight. The wall has been for some time considered dangerous. It appeared firm, but when it started it came down in a heap without any warning. The excavations about the base have been carried on very rapidly and the greater part of the debris had been removed.

One of the men, supposed to have been a subcontractor, was taken out in his fur coat, nothing but his feet and legs being visible. His head and body were crushed out of shape. There were men with all their limbs broken, faces bruised and crushed out of all semblance of humanity. Others were not so badly mangled but had evidently been instantly killed. Of those who were wounded and taken to the hospital only two were able to sit up in the wagon. The greater number had to be taken on stretchers. There were no groans or cries from the injured Not one retained consciousness.

Dr. Murphy took charge of the dead and wounded, and the latter were cared for under his direction until they reached the hospital The majority of the men were under the south side of the wall, and here the heaviest part of the wall fell. Only two were taken out from the north side.

The names of those taken to the city hospital are: Thomas Samatra, John Warner, Frank Cither, and an unknown man who was brought in late and will die. Samatra and Peters are injured fatally, but it is thought that Warner and Cither will recover.

At 2:45 p. m., two more of the men who were injured died.

Building Inspector Johnston said after the accident: "I examined the walls after the fire and thought they were solid. I think the removal of the debris and excavation from the base together with the sudden change in temperature precipitated the fall."

The dead and injured are as follows:

DEAD.

Edward Wilcox, contractor.
Hans Hanson, Swede laborer.
Charles Katrinski, Pole laborer.
George Shapinski, laborer.
Charles Larson, laborer.
John Adamski, laborer, 35 years of age.
Frank Marco.

INJURED.

John Warren, 937 James street.
Thomas Somatra, 535 Edmund street.
Frank Detber, of Farrington avenue.
Samuel Peters, 1126 Payne avenue.
Martin Howe, foreman.
William Foster, laborer.

An unknown man taken home, No. 40 Sycamore street, and another unknown man, residence unknown.

A Runaway Engine.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 5.—A special from Deadwood, S. D., says. By the breaking of the eccentric on the engine hauling the F. E. & M. V. passenger train yesterday the engine became unmanageable and run down a steep grade for a distance of 8 miles before it could be stopped. The engineer remained at his post and finally stopped the train. No one was injured.

Chicago Grain Market.

The following were the closing quotations in Chicago at 1:15 p. m. to-day, received by B. Z. Taylor, Secretary Decatur Grain Company:

LIVE STOCK—Estimated receipts—
Hogs—18,000; 10c higher.
Cattle—3,500; steady.
GRAIN—Car lots—
Wheat 285; Corn 445; Oats 260.

	DEC.	JAN.	MAY.
WHEAT	$ .91⅛	$ .92⅛	$ .97⅜
CORN	.47⅜	.42⅜	.43
OATS	.32	—	.33
PORK		11.20	11.57
LARD		6.12½	6.47½
RIBS		5.50	5.90

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—The great race horse Eurus died Thursday at A. J. Cassatt's Chester Brook farm, near Philadelphia. He was eight years old.

—The condition of Cyrus W. Field is said to have still more improved, and his physicians now express the opinion that his final recovery is assured.

—Gov. Campbell of Ohio, was considerably worse yesterday. He had a high fever, and could not open his mouth without precipitating a paroxysm of coughing.

—A fire occurred at Blair, Neb., yesterday, in which six business blocks in the heart of the city were destroyed. Loss, about $100,000. The cause of the fire is unknown.

—The suit at Newport, R. I., of Sailor Carney against Commander Longenecker, of the navy, for false imprisonment, went to the jury Thursday, and that body reported that it was unable to agree.

—A decree has been issued by the government of San Salvador to the effect that no merchant will be allowed to act as foreign consul, vice-consul or consular agent in the republic after February 1, 1892.

—The revolution in Honduras against President Leiva, Gen. Bogran and the members of congress, is headed by Gen. Ferra. The insurgents were defeated at both Nacaome and Cuaren and have fled into Nicaragua.

—The twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Pilgrim Congregational church of St Louis, will be becomingly observed by a serious ceremonies and entertainments beginning this evening and ending Tuesday evening.

—Manuel J. Feror, the assistant secretary of the St. Louis Spanish club, has dissappeared, and an investigation made by Treasurer McQullin shows that the missing man took with him something over $100 belonging to the club and its members.

—The sawmill of Pope & Pulley, at Hornersville, Mo., was wrecked by a boiler explosion, yesterday, and Curtis Long, William Riley and Lee Clark were instantly killed. Three other employes were seriously injured. Cause of explosion unknown.

—Dr. Carpenter, the Denver (Col.) abortionist, skipped Thursday night. He left his office at 3 30 o'clock, and is supposed to have taken the 5 o'clock train The police were not ready to arrest him, and they allowed him to slip through their fingers.

—The directors of the Alabama World's Fair association met at Birmingham, Thursday. Being hopeless of success through private contributions, they adopted a resolution calling on the governor to call a special session of the legislature to make an appropriation.

—Edwin C. Ray, one of the survivors of the commission and trasportation merchants who did business on the Erie canal before the advent of railroads in western New York, died suddenly at his home in New York city Thursday Mr. was a native of Utica, and was 70 years of age.

—A train on the Columbus & Puget Sound road was wrecked, Thursday evening, near Black Diamond, Wash. It was a coal train with a passenger car on the end. Ten cars and the coach were rolled down a high embankment and a dozen passengers were hurt. Several were probably fatally injured.

—By a collision on the New York & New England railway, at East Thompson, Conn., yesterday, between the steamboat train, bound east and two hours late, and a freight train, five persons were killed outright. Another was burned to death in the smoker, which took fire, and several others were seriously hurt, including at least one fatally

—The miners are gradually returning to their work in the block coal mines in the Brazil (Ind.) district Many who are needy will work at any price in preference to suffering their children to go hungry. There are miners and their families there who are actually in need of food and clothing, and if the trouble lasts much longer considerable suffering will prevail.

A Gigantic Natural Gas Combine.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 5.—A successful start was made, yesterday, toward forming a gigantic combination of all the natural gas companies in Indiana. Representatives from nearly every natural gas company in the state met in secret session at the Grand hotel. The Fort Wayne company was represented by H. C. Paul; Huntington, by George J. Biffens; Wabash, by C. Cowgill; Peru, by Charles H. Darnell; La Fayette, by Charles B. Stuart and James Murdoch; trust company of Indianapolis, by Judge Lamb; Greenfield, by Judge Gooding; Richmond, by Judge Kebbing; Muncie, by C. F. Rose, and Bluffton, by Hugh Dougherty.

Shelbyville, Rushville and Franklin also had representatives present, and J. B. Townsend, of Lima, O., was in the meeting representing the interest of Senator Brice in the gas fields of Indiana.

R. C. Bell, of Fort Wayne, and C. E. Hegenberg, of Chicago, representing the Chicago Pipe Line Co., were hangers-on at the meeting. They were deputized to come here and watch the meeting.

A very thick veil of secrecy surrounded the meeting. Before adjournment for dinner those present were asked not to give any information to the press.

The companies decided to pursue the litigation against the Chicago Pipe Line Co. and pro rate the expense among themselves, sparing no effort to prevent gas being piped out of the state. But this was only incidental. The real object of the meeting was to agree upon concerted action for the introduction of metres, with an agreed price of fifteen cents per 1,000 feet for gas by measurement, and before the meeting was over, every company represented was bound by agreement to follow out this policy.

DOM PEDRO, the deposed Emperor of Brazil, who was sick in Paris and whose physicians on Thursday reported him on the way to complete recovery, died yesterday.

A MAN by the name of John T. Stapler, a cracker manufacturer of Trenton, N. J., killed himself Thursday, because he had the impression that he was becoming impoverished. His estate is valued at $150,000.

COL. DICK TAYLOR died in Chicago yesterday at the age of 90 years. He was an old settler and had been a land agent as far back as 1835. He sold land for the government in what is now the heart of Chicago for $1.25 per acre.

A SEVERE storm swept through Cumberland county, Pa., yesterday wrecking houses, barns, uprooting trees and destroying the crops. No lives seems to have been lost. Fifteen buildings were blown down at Mechanicsburg, including the National hotel and Methodist church. Twelve other buildings were damaged.

SOLD—Blush of Roses, Blush of Roses, Blush of Roses, Blush of Roses, every day and every hour, at Swearingen & Tyler's, and they have just purchased another gross.

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Executor's Notice.

Estate of Adam Bantner, Sr., Deceased.

The undersigned, having been appointed Executor of the estate of Adam Bantner, Sr., late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 4th day of December, 1891.

THE MAFIA, AGAIN.

The Italian Murder Society Again at Work.

DENVER THEIR FIELD OF OPERATION,

And Their Victims Members of Their Own Society Who Knew Too Many Secrets of a Gang of Counterfeiters.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 5.—The mafia is supposed to be at work in this city. Angelio Rivero, died in the Italian quarters Thursday night with all the symptoms of arsenical poisoning, and his wife is now seriously ill. She also exhibits symptoms of arsenical poisoning. Rivero and his wife were recently arrested on the suspicion that they were counterfeiters. He owned valuable mining property near Boulder, Col., and the charge is said to have been trumped up against him, to get him out of the way in order that interested parties might secure this property. Counterfeiting tools are said to have been placed in a cave near his mine, and the United States officials were informed and arrested the unfortunate man. His trial was set for the 1st instant, and although he was taken violently ill, he appeared. The Italian witnesses against him did not appear, and he was told to go home and remain until he got well. He and his wife took rooms in the Italian quarters, where he died in the greatest agony. He knew that he was dying and said that he was being murdered. He urged his friends to revenge him and they promised to do so. It is said that Rivero was put out of the way because he possessed dangerous secrets of a gang of Italian counterfeiters who were also members of the mafia. The United States officials are also to take a hand in it.

THE CHURCHES TO-MORROW.

PASTOR'S MEETING.

Regular meeting of the Pastor's Conference Monday at 10 a. m. in Room No. 1, First M. E. Church. Chas. E. Torrey, Secretary.

GRACE M. E CHURCH.

Rev. H. H. Oneal, D. D., pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Morning subject: "The Prayers of the Redeemer." In the evening the sermon will be to young men, and young men are specially invited Sunday school at 2 p. m., W. L. Shellabarger, Supt. Mission Sunday school, 9 a. m., corner North Broadway and Herkimer Sts., John Spence, Supt.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Corner North Main and North streets. Rev. Erastus B. Cake, pastor. Sunday school at 9 p. m. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E., Monday, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Sunday morning subject: "The Irreparable Past; The Available Future." Sunday night subject: "The Evolution of Sin." All seats free. Strangers made welcome by pastor and people. Edmund Street Chapel—Sunday School 9 a. m.

U. B. CENTENARY CHURCH.

458 North Broadway. J. A. F. King, pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject, "The Blessed Assurance of a Present Experience." Evening subject, "Coming With Songs." Sabbath school at 2:30 p. m., T. G Ruthrauff, supt. The Alcyon Quartet will sing at the morning and evening services.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH.

Classes at 9 a. m. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. James Miller, at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Morning subject: "The Finishing Touches of God in Nature and Grace." Evening subject. "The Despotism of Wealth," the 4th of the series on "Wealth and Poverty." Sabbath school at 2 p. m.

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH.

On Spring avenue—Rev. G. M. Moore, pastor. Service at 11 a. m., theme, "A Good Soldier of Jesus Christ," and at 7:30 p. m., theme, "Lessons From Jephtha and His Daughter." Sunday school at 2:30 p. m., Deacon Orr supt.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Corner of Church and Eldorado streets. Rev. W. C. Miller, pastor. Morning service at 10:30, subject, "Christ's Christianity Reasonable." Evening service at 7 o'clock, subject: "Young Men and Mottoes," being the second of the series of sermons to young men which the pastor is now giving. Music by the String Quartet. Sunday school at 9.15 a. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m.

SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH.

Rev. M. M. Goodwin, Rector. Sunday school, 9.30 a. m. Sermon and Holy Communion, 10:30 a. m. Evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 p. m.

GRACE MISSION.

Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

W. C. T. U.

Service at the W. C. T. U. rooms, Library Block, Sunday, at 3:30 p. m. in charge of Mrs. I. K. Stafford. Address by Rev. Oneal of Grace M. E. church. Subject "Personal Liberty." All are cordially invited.

MACEDONIAN BAPTIST CHURCH.

South Broadway. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. by Rev. A. Ward, pastor. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Covenant at 3:30 p. m. The Lord's Supper at 8:30 p. m.

FIRST ENGLISH EVNG. LUTHERAN.

Rev. M. L. Wagner, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Preaching by the pastor. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. All are welcome to attend these services.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

W. H. Penhallegon, pastor. Services in the Grand Opera House at 10:45 a. m and 7 p. m. Evening subject: "Looking Backward." Miss Jessie Jackson, of Chicago, will sing a solo at this service. Sunday school in the church at 9:30 a. m. Strangers and others not worshipping elsewhere cordially invited.

COLLEGE STREET CHAPEL.

Sunday school at 2 p. m., R. G. Wells supt. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30.

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL—A. M. E.

J. S. Woods, pastor. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. Subject, "The Old Way." Classmeeting at 12 m. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Louis Steward supt. Preaching at 7:30 p. m. All are invited.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Services in the W. C. T. U. rooms, Library Block. S. W. Whitehouse, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7 30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E at 6.30 p. m.

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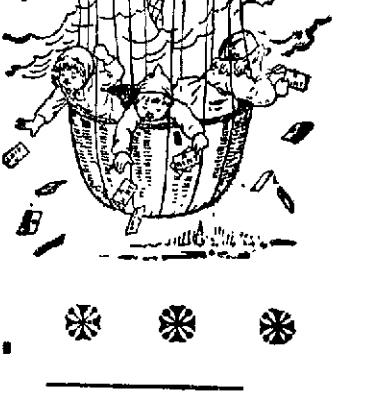

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THE cash balance in the United States treasury at the end of business, November 30, was $130 126 917 16.

"IT's dollars to doughnuts" that Grover Cleveland will not be the Democratic nominee for the Presidency in 1892.

DOM PEDRO, the deposed emperor of Brazil, who has been very sick in France, is now reported by his physicians that his recovery is only a matter of a short time.

SHOULD Mills be defeated for Speaker those within the vicinity of the New York *Sun*, by the temperature, would feel as if they were on the equator at high noon.

IT is now admitted that Secretary of the Treasury Foster is seriously sick. This recalls the fact that Folger, Manning and Windom all died since 1887 while serving as secretaries of the treasury.

IF the New York Republicans who stayed at home had voted last election day they would have saved Gov. Hill the trouble of stealing a Legislature. The majority would have been too great to trifle with.

DR. KEELEY has now twenty-four institutes for the cure of dipsomania in different parts of the country. He says that others will be established to meet the demands of the country as fast as they can be established.

THE only American product outside of farm products which has advanced in price since the passage of the McKinley bill is the anti-McKinley Chicago *Daily News*, and it does not cost one dollar more to produce the *News* now than it cost before the act passed.

ROSWELL P. FLOWER will in all probability be the nominee of Democrats for President. He is a railroad millionaire and all-round corporationist. The Democrats could pass a flaming anti-monopoly resolution and put Flower at the head of the ticket without a single qualm of conscience.

THE tools used by a blacksmith of the present day are almost identical with those used in the same trade over 300 years ago. In a book on "Metals" published at [illegible], Switzerland, [illegible] of the illustrations represents a [illegible] smith shop [illegible] which the anvil [illegible] and tongs look like [illegible] in every shop.

THE hot water [illegible] taken out of the French railway carriages, and warmth is to come from boxes filled with acetate of soda. The boxes are filled with soda in a solid state, which is liquefied by being plunged into hot water. As it solidifies, which takes five or six hours, it steadily gives out heat.

IT is a conspicuous fact that the administration of President Harrison has been clean and strong, and that by its business power has held audience with the world upon many important questions. It has so overshadowed the impotent administration of Cleveland that not one person in a hundred can now recall any of the names of Cleveland's heads of departments.

A TAMMANY member named Coombs will introduce in the lower House of Congress an anti-tariff resolution, and yet the Democracy are setting their sails for a slight-reduction-of-duties campaign. As Tom Reed, speaking on the Mills Bill said, "They say the tariff is iniquitous, and yet they profess to favor only a slight reduction in the amount of iniquity." Instead of making a campaign of education they propose to raise the question of difference in the degrees of iniquity.

A WELL-KNOWN Southern writer, the editor of the *Alabama Baptist*, publishes in his paper the following statement: "The writer has visited about 50 counties in the past three months, going into the houses of many of the farmers and making diligent inquiry as to the true condition of the country. Not since the war has there been such universal prosperity as at present." Such is the fruit of Republican legislation. Yet the South persists in voting for the party that removes the causes of its prosperity.

SPRINGFIELD *Journal*: Despite the cry of the Democratic papers that wages are being introduced by manufactures everywhere, the opposite is true. The furnaces in the Mahoning Valley have decided to advance wages 10 per cent; the Barnaby Mills at Fall River, Mass., have increased the price of weaving 11 cents per cut, and the Wamsutta Mills, at New Bedford, Mass., have increased wages in all departments. The Dolge Felt Works, at Dolgeville, N. Y., have raised the price of labor in all departments, and in their notification to the people employed say that they are enabled to do this because of the better protection afforded by the McKinley Bill. At the same time the product of none of these mills has increased in price to the consumer.

THE Democratic organ on Prairie street seems to have gone into a terrible spasm because it fears the REPUBLICAN does not understand its position. It wants to know, "What is the proper course to pursue when Commander Palmer makes a speech and the Republican papers use it for political purposes?" Now we could not engage to instruct the *Review* in this matter further than to say, if the *Review* will learn what to feel and say when the lost cause is magnified, Confederate flags unfurled and when it is held that the time will come when Mr. Davis will be regarded as the patriot rather than Mr. Lincoln, it will have answered its own question and will have learned better than to assume that when a Republican paper publishes the patriotic utterances of loyal men it is done for political purposes, and it will also have learned that when it is suspicioned that the publication of the patriotic utterances of patriotic men is liable to injure the Democratic party that party is not right in its make-up. If the Republican papers dare not publish patriotic utterances, made in the shape of criticisms on unpatriotic acts without laying themselves open to the charge of having done it for "political purposes," it is mighty clear that these patriotic utterances are proper and opportune.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Gen. W. S. Hancock.

Gen. Hancock was easily one of the best brigade division and corps commanders the Army of the Potomac had. He first distinguished himself at Williamsburg, Va., in May, 1862, and from that until the close of the war the praise of Hancock was on the lips of the loyal people everywhere. His success as a commander may be attributed to two characteristics prominent in the war—loyalty to the cause for which he contended and loyalty to his superiors, no matter who they were. While there were many officers in the Army of the Potomac from time to time that invited mistrust no suspicion ever was engendered toward Hancock. The former characteristic was well illustrated by his conduct in the election of 1864, which was related at the time of his death by Gen. Bingham, a former member of his staff. It is as follows:

"Gentlemen, I will tell you an anecdote which I never told before. When the second election of Lincoln came up Gen. Hancock was in Baltimore, and he observed in the morning, with more than his usual impressiveness and solemnity: 'Gentlemen of my staff, this is election day. I have never thought it proper for me to speak to the members of my staff about the subject of voting. I do not now interfere with any man's choice. I only say to you, gentlemen, that I have made up my mind, though I was brought up a Democrat, that the condition of our country, of the war, and, as it seems to me, the duty of the present moment, at least so far as my own mind is concerned, causes me to say that I shall vote for President Lincoln's re-election this day.'"

Like thousands of other soldiers at that time he laid aside his party prejudices and arose to the dignity and stature of an American citizen who believed himself a part of the country and chose to do what he could to save and not what he could do to throw obstacles in the way of preserving it.

There is no doubt the Government made mistakes during the war, and if we were in the light of past events to point to one of them it would be that Hancock was not made the successor of Gen. McClelland instead of Gen. Burnside. While Burnside had as loyal a heart as any officer in the Union army he lacked the ability to command which Hancock so often developed in times of extreme peril.

Cyrus W. Field's Losses.

St. Louis *Globe-Democrat*: Until a comparatively recent period Cyrus W. Field was among the wealthiest men in the country. He never ranked with the Vanderbilts, Astors, Goulds, or Rockefellers, but he stood well up among the [illegible], Morgans, Hatchs and Sages. Fifteen years ago his estate was [illegible] at from $15,000,000 to $25,000,000. He lost much of this in the well-remembered transaction with Tilden, in which the latter took advantage of Field's absence to squeeze him to the extent of several million dollars. Later on, or several years ago, he was caught on the wrong side in the Gould elevated railway deal and lost heavily, after which he retired from active business. Within the past few years it has been popularly understood that his property has been increasing in value. At all events his holdings have been rated at about $2,000,000. This was his condition at the time his son's crookedness culminated. Now, as a consequence of that son's perfidy, his property has all been swept away, and after a third of a century of distinguished and remunerative labor he finds himself, when prostrated by what is supposed to be a fatal malady, as poor as when he first set out to conquer a career.

Senator Gilham's Slayers

George Starkey, John Brown and James R. Wyatt, are on trial for the killing of ex-State Senator Gilham in Alton, March 18, 1890, in attempting to burglarize his house. A lot of toughs from Peoria, went to Alton, where the trial is going on to prove an alibi for Starkey but were struck dumb when Wyatt took the stand Tuesday and gave a full account of the murder implicating himself and the other two on trial. It is needless to say the alibists returned to Peoria.

A Sure Way of Killing Owls.

Frost Bunker, of the Dead river region, is a guide who, it is said, is a successful rival to James A. Smith, of Phillips—a Rangely guide—in story telling. Frost is intimately acquainted with "John Smith," who is well known in all parts of the country. He says he was with John once hunting; this once on a time, when they came upon a man who had fired at an owl perched in a big tree about a dozen times without success. As they approached the stranger offered John a five dollar bill if he would secure the owl. John cocked his rifle and walked around the tree.

The owl turned his head in the same direction as far as John walked. John kept on going around the tree, the owl turning his head all the while. Just as John completed the tenth circuit the owl's head was twisted off and he fell to the ground dead. John said small owls couldn't be killed that way because their feet would fly up in turning.—Phillips (Me.) Phonograph.

Salaries of Old English Actors.

Kean never spent more than two or three thousand pounds upon a revival, and this was considered marvelous in those days. Messrs. Irving and Wilson Barrett have more than doubled such sums. Again, salaries were incomparably smaller. For some time John Ryder, who played second to Kean, received only three pounds ten shillings a week until, discovering that another actor of about equal position was receiving that of eight pounds, he threatened to break his engagement unless his salary was at once doubled, a request which was complied with. Now such an actor would command from thirty to fifty pounds a week. On the other hand, Kean raised the ballet girls from a shilling a night, their old pay, out of which they had to find shoes and stockings, to a guinea a week, and found them everything.—London Tit-Bits.

Cut Rates.

"I always get reduced rates on the railroads for my Indians," remarked the traveling showman.

"How do you manage that?"

"I get them scalper's tickets."—Puck.

Sometimes It's a Nuisance.

"There is a poetry about the flute that other instruments lack. The divine afflatus has descended upon it."

"Well, it takes a very earthy afflatus to make it work."—Harper's Bazar.

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A LUMBERMAN STEALS HIS BRIDE FROM HER FATHER'S BOAT.

A Romantic Idyl from the Wilds of the Pennsylvania Backwoods Country—An Irate Father Outwitted—His Opposition Was Only Spiteful.

A lumberman dressed in woodsman style came hurriedly into the union depot. Leaning on his arm was a pretty girl about eighteen years old. Her panting breath and fiery cheeks gave evidence of her excitement, which was seemingly made more intense by their rapid walking. Following them was another lumberman, more nervous than the first. He seemed to be on guard, and kept his eyes turned toward the rear ranks. He said nothing until his proteges were on board the day express for the east. A few minutes afterward an older man, with an air of business, elbowed his way through the crowd and confronted the woodsman.

They started an animated conversation about the couple who had just boarded the train, and for a few moments it seemed that a fight would take place. Kindly advice from a bystander saved them from the officers, however, and the two walked off together. Later in the day the older man appeared at the depot and bought a ticket to Brad's Bend, on the Allegheny Valley railroad. He was approached by a reporter and readily consented to tell the story.

His name was Andrew Myers. The girl who had been carried off by the uncouth woodsman was a daughter of Myers. They had eloped from her father's lumber raft. The daring act took place near Brady's Bend, and was the crowning act of a romance made exciting by a determined lover, an irate father and a faithful girl, whose respect for her father's wishes had hitherto prevented a clandestine marriage.

FATHER AND LOVER FIGHT.

The trio live on the Clarion river near Clarington. They are well known in the lumber country. The younger man's name is Frank Snyder. He is prosperous in the woods, and is considered a good business man, but he is rough in his way, and for that reason was not considered by Myers fit to be his daughter's lover. Miss Myers thought differently, however, and for a year insisted on receiving the attentions of Snyder. Nevertheless she refused to elope with her lover, and would only answer "wait."

The rafting season on the Clarion river commenced. Both Myers and Snyder had timber to run to market, and were constantly thrown in each other's way at the river bank. When the rafts were nearly ready to be started they accidently commenced talking about Miss Myers. Kindly expressions led to insinuations, and then a war of words, which was quickly followed by a blow from Myers. A moment more and both were rolling in the mud. They were soon separated, but not until Snyder had made a vow to get the girl. Myers heard the words and became equally determined that his enemy should never be his son-in-law.

A few hours more and both were to start down the river. Myers was afraid to leave his daughter behind, and giving as an excuse the statement that he wanted her to cook for the men, he brought her on the raft and gave her quarters in the rough shanty which is frequently built on large flats. Snyder saw the object of Myers' move, and when the latter pulled out with his raft Snyder quickly followed with his own.

PAPA COMES TOO LATE.

Both rafts arrived at Brady's Bend shortly after 6 o'clock Saturday night. Myers pulled in to tie up for the night, and when about to land Snyder's raft came up. He was acting as pilot himself, and, seeing Miss Meyers standing on the river edge of her father's raft, he ordered his men to pull in such a way that his own raft ran close to that of Meyers. When at the nearest point he jumped from his oar, grabbed the young girl, and, as he leaped back, yelled at his men to pull into the current. It was a daring act, but Snyder had been victorious, and found no trouble in persuading Miss Myers to give her consent to their marriage when the opportunity came. He knew Myers would follow, however, and to make sure their escape he determined to run at night.

They arrived at Sharpsburg next morning. Meantime Myers had come to Pittsburg, and was waiting at Herr's Island for Snyder and his game. But they didn't come. They guessed what he would do, and left him down the river while they went to Union depot on a cable car. Myers heard of this trick about 7.30 and went to intercept it, but he was too late. The woodsman he met at Union depot explained the occurrence leading to the flight, and told Mr. Myers that they were going to Camden, N. J., to get married.

Mr. Myers was still angry when seen at the Home hotel. He confessed that Snyder was a suitable man for any sensible girl, and his chief grievance seemed to be that his daughter should go on a bridal tour with a man whose wedding outfit would startle civilization. Nevertheless he admitted that Snyder had better clothes at home, and his last remark was that if Snyder had made much money lately he would forgive him.—Pittsburg Cor. Oil City Derrick.

Young Heads and Old.

Daughter—You should have turned down the upper corners of your visiting cards, ma, when you called on the bride. That means congratulation. But you turned down the lower corners. That means condolence.

Matron (with dignity)—You'd better wait till you are married before you criticise your ma.—New York Weekly.

The Powers That Be.

First Congressman—What do you think of Senator Saphead's bill?

Second Congressman—I opposed it at first, but lately I have found so much popular opposition to it that I am inclined to think it must be a good thing."—Good News.

No Seat, No Sermon.

Once having to preach at a church in Regent street, on arriving at the door Bishop Wilberforce encountered his friend Mrs. A—— in the act of returning to her carriage.

"What, going away?"

"Only because I can't get in."

"Do you mean that you really wish to stop?"

"I came on purpose."

"Then take my arm."

The crowd at the door was excessive. At last the beadle appeared, to whom the bishop in his blandest manner, said:

"You will be so good as to give this lady the best seat in the church."

"Impossible, sir—church quite full!"

The bishop calmly, but with emphasis, repeated his orders.

"Quite impossible!" repeated the beadle. "I tell you, sir, the church is quite full."

"Oh, but," was the rejoinder, "I won't preach if you don't!"

This alarming threat at once opened Bumble's eyes.

"Oh, I beg pardon, my lord," winking. "This way, marm."

And he deposited Mrs. A—— in the churchwardens' luxurious empty pew under the pulpit.—London Tit-Bits.

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Dated this [illegible] day of November, A. D. 1891.
L. F. SKELLEY, City Clerk.

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Chancery Notice.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY,

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1892.

Eva [illegible] Barber vs. Henry Barber. Divorce.

[illegible] of the non-residence of the said defendant, Henry Barber, having been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said [illegible] notice is hereby given to the said Henry Barber, that the above named complainant, [illegible], heretofore filed her bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, which suit is still pending, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said court against the above named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next January term of said court, to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur in said county on the second Monday in the month of January, A. D. 1892. Unless you, the said Henry Barber, shall be and appear on the first day of said court and plead, answer or demur to the said bill of complaint, the same will be taken as true and a decree rendered according to the prayer thereof.

Dated November 27, 1891.
E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.
GEO. F. WICKENS, Comp's Sol. nov28-d4w

Notice of Publication—Chancery.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, } ss.
MACON COUNTY,

In the Circuit Court to the January Term, A. D. 1892.

Nancy J. Housley vs. Sarah Tyler, Benjamin B. Tyler, Sarah Tyler, Susan F. Odor, Barton S. Tyler, Josephine V. Tyler, Joseph Z. Tyler, Eva Tyler, Mary T. Meriweather, John A. Meriweather, Bettie Cook, Stephen D. Cook, Charles H. Tyler, Alice Tyler, William H. Tyler, Jennie Davis, Theodore M. Tyler, Loretta Tyler, Walter B. Tyler, Maud Tyler, Rufus Housley, William Kirkman, William Boyer and Orlando Heckle.

Affidavit of the non-residence of the defendants, Eva Tyler, Sarah Tyler, Stephen D. Cook and Rufus Housley, impleaded with the above defendants, Sarah Tyler, Benjamin B. Tyler, Susan F. Odor, Barton S. Tyler, Josephine V. Tyler, Joseph Z. Tyler, Mary T. Meriweather, John A. Meriweather, Bettie Cook, Charles H. Tyler, Alice Tyler, William H. Tyler, Jennie Davis, Theodore M. Tyler, Loretta Tyler, Walter B. Tyler, Maud Tyler, William Kirkman, William Boyer and Orlando Heckle, having been filed in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of said county, notice is therefore hereby given to the said non-resident defendants that the complainant filed her amended bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, on the 18th day of July, 1891, and that thereupon a summons issued out of said court, wherein said suit is now pending, returnable on the 11th day of the month of January next, as is by law required.

Now, unless you, the said non-resident defendants above named, Eva Tyler, Sarah Tyler, Stephen D Cook and Rufus Housley, shall personally be and appear before said Circuit Court, on the first day of the next term thereof, to be holden at Decatur in and for the said county, on the second Monday, being the 11th day of January next, and plead, answer or demur to the said complainant's bill of complaint, the same and the matters and things therein charged and stated will be taken as confessed, and a decree entered against you according to the prayer of said bill.

Decatur, Illinois, November 24, A. D. 1891.
E. McCLELLAN, Clerk.
RICKS & CREIGHTON, Complainant's Sols.
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Executors' Notice.

Estate of Peter Keister, deceased

The undersigned having been appointed Executors of the estate of Peter Keister, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby give notice that they will appear before the County Court of Macon county at the court house in Decatur, at the January term, on the first Monday in January next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 11th day of November, 1891.
JOHN F. KEISTER,
JACOB S. KELLER,
Executors of the Will of Peter Keister, deceased. nov14-d3w

Executor's Notice.

Estate of Thomas Wilson, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed Executor of the estate of Thomas Wilson, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 3d day of December, 1891.
D. L. BUNN,
dec3 d3w Executor.

Executor's Notice.

Estate of William J. Newsham, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executrix of the estate of William J. Newsham, late of the county of Macon and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Macon County, at the court house in Decatur, at the February term, on the first Monday in February next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 25th day of November, 1891.
CATHARINE NEWSHAM,
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S. L. STERRETT.
ATTORNEY AT LAW
OFFICE -Over the Postoffice, Decatur Ill.

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W. R. CHAPMAN,
CARL SCHUBACH.
Decatur, Ill., Dec. 1, 1891.—d3t

DR. A. S. WALTZ.
—DENTIST—
OFFICE—Over "The Style" millinery store, East Main Street, Decatur, Ill.

THEY BRAVED THE DEEP

RISKS AND DEATH ROLL OF AN EXPERIMENTAL WAR CRAFT.

The Charleston Cigar Boat—She Met with Disaster Again and Again—Crew After Crew Added to the Ghastly List—She Went to the Bottom at Last.

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FOR instances of individual daring of the sublimest type we need not go farther than the pages of naval history of the civil war. Cushing, the crew of the Confederate Albemarle, the commander and men of the Confederate ram Arkansas, the Confederate boarders of the Underwriter in the North Carolina waters, the Union defenders of the Harriet Lane in Galveston harbor, the participants in the battle of Mobile—these and many others deserve to live in history, not alone for the grand results accomplished, but because of their deeds of unexcelled bravery. The Confederates, being on the defensive, and for that reason having ample incentive to heroic outbursts, probably put on record more instances of individual daring than did their antagonists. They had the desperate end of the conflict to bear up. Unfortunately for history their records are sparse, survivors of the hour have since passed away, and much is left to unauthenticated tradition.

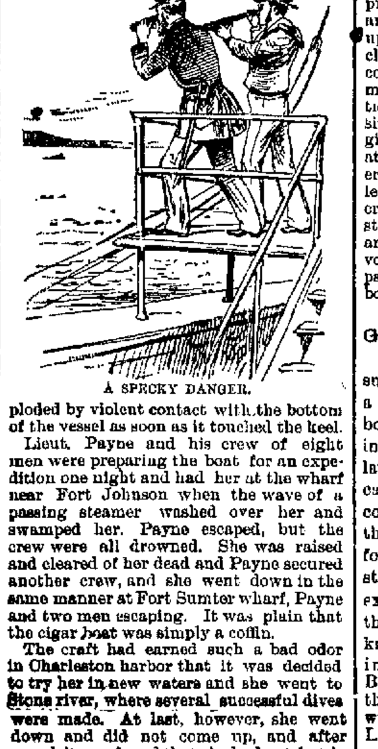
The story that follows, however, is true and it is substantiated in detail by records of undoubted truthfulness. Seven men, five being seamen of the Confederate navy and one a captain of artillery and the other a lieutenant of infantry, volunteered for an enterprise that had been attempted five times and had met with disaster. On three occasions all hands had perished, and on one other seven out of eight, and again six out of nine had met death. The hazardous business was nothing less than being confined in a submarine boat, exposed to a variety of dangers without one possible way of escape in case of disaster. The time was 1864, the scene Charleston harbor during the formidable operations of the powerful Union army and navy.

The waters were full of Union blockaders and every foot of vantage ground around the harbor was either occupied or besieged by Union troops. The port was blockaded almost effectually, and many daring attempts were made by the besieged to destroy Union vessels by infernal devices. The New Ironsides was attacked twice, the second time receiving very serious damage. A companion vessel of the New Ironsides was the Housatonic, a noble new ship, lying in North channel and completely blockading that passage. If she could be removed by stealth scores of blockade running vessels could pass in and out in a night, giving comfort to the beleaguered army and people of South Carolina.

The several experiments in destroying vessels by torpedoes that had been made in the harbor pointed to the torpedo afloat as the proper method. The New Ironsides, which was so seriously damaged by a torpedo boat, had once stood for an hour over a fixed torpedo of 2,000 pounds of powder, but the wires connecting the torpedo with the shore would not work and the gunboat floated away safely. Soon after the Ironsides was successfully attacked (October, 1863) a little boat was brought by rail from Mobile and accepted by the Confederate commander, Gen. Beauregard, for Charleston harbor. Beauregard was an engineer, a scientific fighter and believed in skillful methods, and promptly accepted the new machine, although she came with a forbidding reputation. She was to plow the deep like a fish, but had no provision for storing air, and on an experimental trip in Mobile bay sunk and all her crew, eight men, were suffocated before they could be rescued. That was disaster number one. Lieut. Payne, of the navy, soon found a volunteer crew of eight men and took charge of her for a series of experiments in the harbor, which were tragic in the extreme, but which by the advancement of knowledge made amends for the dole of blood exacted.

The new craft is known in history as the "cigar boat." She was made of boiler iron, was 30 feet long and 4 broad, with a vertical depth of 6 feet, approximately. Access was by two manholes covered by hinged caps having bull's eyes for steering purposes. While the vessel floated these caps were about a foot out of water. The propelling power was the hands of the crew, operating on a shaft by means of cranks. On the exterior there were vanes or wings, that could be adjusted at any angle by interior manipulation, and when the boat was to move on even keel the vanes were kept level. To descend at an angle of 10 degs. the vanes were fixed at that angle and the propeller put in motion. The resistance of the water against the vanes caused the bow to dip and the boat to descend on an inclined plane. By reversing the vanes the opposite direction could be taken until surface was reached. A tube of mercury told just how far under water she was at any time.

The boat was designed to dive and pass under the war vessel it was intended to destroy and drag a torpedo after, to be exploded by violent contact with the bottom of the vessel as soon as it touched the keel.



A SPECKY DANGER.

Lieut. Payne and his crew of eight men were preparing the boat for an expedition one night and had her at the wharf near Fort Johnson when the wave of a passing steamer washed over her and swamped her. Payne escaped, but the crew were all drowned. She was raised and cleared of her dead and Payne secured another crew, and she went down in the same manner at Fort Sumter wharf, Payne and two men escaping. It was plain that the cigar boat was simply a coffin.

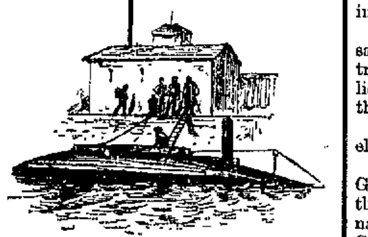
The craft had earned such a bad odor in Charleston harbor that it was decided to try her in new waters and she went to Stono river, where several successful dives were made. At last, however, she went down and did not come up, and after search it was found that she had got fast in the mud at the bottom and all on board had perished by suffocation. Once more she was raised, the dead removed—the fourth ghastly cargo from her iron bound hull—and she returned to the harbor.

Every disaster to the boat had had something about it that was held to be a warning for the future, and a new crew went on board and resumed experiments. She dived beautifully, and, barring accidents, would carry a torpedo anywhere in the deep. One more accident led to a change of plan. For an experiment she dived under the Confederate receiving ship Indian Chief, fouled a cable and all of her crew perished. When she was recovered one Lieut. George E. Dixon, of the Twenty-first Alabama regiment, secured Gen. Beauregard's permission to try the famous David against the Housatonic. Beauregard stipulated that she should be rigged as a torpedo boat on the surface of the water and not as a submarine device. He believed that the water was too shallow in the harbor to admit of successful diving under a heavy ship.

A spar was then set on the bow having a torpedo that would explode by concussion with the object aimed at. The new method of operation may have seemed to lessen the danger, but in reality the boat had met disaster as often when on the surface as when submerged, and the chances of her riding the convulsive waves produced by a torpedo were very narrow. Yet, although some thirty men had perished in her, Lieut. Dixon found a crew ready to volunteer and destroy the Housatonic. Five of the crew were men of the navy—Arnold Becker, James A. Wicks, F. Collins, —— Ridgway and C. Simpkins. They were joined by Capt. J. F. Carlsen, of the South Carolina artillery.

The Housatonic was riding at anchor on the evening of Feb. 17, her officer of the deck, Master J. F. Crosby, pacing mechanically to and fro, scanning around as far as the darkness—it was 9 o'clock—would permit. Suddenly he saw about a hundred yards away what appeared to be a plank moving swiftly toward his ship. It was so strange that, anxious though he was, he waited a short time before giving alarm over so contemptuous an object. Then he sounded the cry, and all hands were called to quarters. But he was a few seconds too late. The little boat had sneaked along the beach the night before, and been hidden during the day not far from the doomed vessel. Then in a twinkling she had darted out of hiding, eluded the lookouts, and even while the cry was sounding through the ship Lieut. Dixon rushed upon her sides and fired the torpedo.

He struck forward of the mainmast, and the hole extended below the water line, sinking her in four minutes. Five men went down in her; the rest clung to the rigging and were rescued. But the "plank," as the Housatonic's officer called it, disappeared in the commotion of the waters. The fate of the crew could only be surmised. The boat had set out secretly to destroy the Housatonic, but no one could tell the tale of her experience. There were other Davids in the waters, and hundreds of fixed and floating torpedoes in the channels. The men of the Housatonic could give no account of the affair other than the shadowy "plank" story, but whether the plank were an automaton, a floating torpedo impelled by cog work, or the missing "cigar boat," no one knew. It had disappeared with the vessel destroyed.



A DAVID.

After the war the secret came out; the "cigar boat" had justified her inventor. The wrecks of the harbor were cleared by divers, and while exploring the depths around the Housatonic they found the rusty iron machine partially buried in drifting debris about a hundred feet away from the hull of the man-of-war, her prow pointing toward it. Of course her daring crew had paid the penalty and were securely coffined inside. The Housatonic was one of the new war vessels. She was a screw sloop, mounting eleven guns, and had been in the South Atlantic squadron since 1862. Her destruction was a warning to the whole fleet and an encouragement also to the Confederates, who after this made several efforts, some of them successful.

Notwithstanding the reality of this submarine engine, such boats are at this date deemed chimerical, and popularly supposed to exist only in the brains of crazy inventors or the imagination of romancers. Jules Verne puzzled and amused the reading world with Capt Nemo's strange craft in his "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea." Gen. Lloyd Brice, in a recent satire on American defenselessness, brings into action a wonderful fish boat, invented and managed by an erratic shirt manufacturer, as though no sane man of science would waste time on a scheme of that nature. What has been considered a creation of fancy, however, has been proven a fruitful reality, as in the case of this Charleston boat.

Jules Verne's submarine vessel was cigar shaped, and recently a Spanish naval officer constructed a boat over which he had dreamed for many years. The Spanish government thought so well of the plan that the inventor, Lieut. Peral, was given the means to experiment, and his boat, El Peral, was successfully launched and made several trips, justifying the hopes of her projectors. This boat is a little more than double the size of the Confederate boat, being 74 feet long and 9½ feet broad. She is fitted out as a torpedo boat, and can run six knots an hour under water.

The torpedo boat had its origin in the civil war, and the Confederates developed it to a greater degree than did their adversaries. Since that time all first class powers have been experimenting, but no satisfactory result has been reached. There are at present boats of three or four hundred tons armed with torpedoes, small boats carried upon war vessels to be lowered when in close quarters with the adversary, and a coast torpedo boat, having its hull submerged. All of these are liable to detection and destruction by the enemy. The situation calls for a noiseless, invisible engine that can work in all weather and at any hour, day or night, as the Confederate David was intended to do. The problem when solved will be by a submarine craft not unlike the ill fated one whose story is told here. But surely no contrivance of this character ever had more devoted adherents, more venturesome and painstaking operators than the "cigar boat" of Charleston harbor.

GEO. L. KILMER.

Gave Russell Lowell Good Advice.

The late James Russell Lowell once suffered a severe rebuke at the hands of a fellow Bostonian on board a steamer bound for Europe. Mr. Lowell was holding forth in the smoking room upon the lamentable ignorance of educated Americans touching the politics of their own country, and he finally declared his belief that no Bostonian present could name four United States Senators from other states than Massachusetts. Under cross-examination he owned that he would find this a difficult feat himself, though he knew by name and reputation, as well as in person, most of the active men in the British House of Lords. Upon receiving this admission the cross-examiner said, with some warmth: "I am sure, Mr. Lowell, that I could name every conspicuous senator with his state, and I should be greatly ashamed of myself if I could not. Furthermore, while I do not venture to offer advice, it seems to me that you would do well to spend a summer vacation at home now and then instead of abroad."—*New York Sun.*

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Just a nameless girl—
Nobody cares!

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A pillow pushed up to the wall,
A flicker that shows
A face in repose,
Silence, and that is all,
Save just on the woebegone cheek
That look which such raptness wears,
That light on the brow—
Ah, who shall say now,
"Nobody cares?"
—Cornhill Magazine.

He Traveled with the Lions.

"I had an interesting experience," said Mr. George Boniface, Jr. "I happened to be passing one of the dime museums when I noticed a large placard announcing the appearance of the elastic skin man. Having never seen this curiosity I bought a ticket and entered the museum. I was startled by the resemblance which the elastic skin man bore to some one I had seen. I could not recall the name, but the resemblance haunted me like a dim ghost that had come out of long ago. While I stood wondering the reporter for a local paper came up to interview the elastic skin man, and I heard the elastic skin man say: 'My name is D. B. Hodges. In 1837 I was agent for Rumsey & Newcomb's minstrels. Since then I have been idle.'

"In a few moments," continued Mr. Boniface, "who should come along but Arthur Cambridge, Charley Griste and Gus Pennoyer. They shook hands with the elastic skin man and began talking over old times.

"'Let's see, Charley,' asked the elastic skin man, 'what show were you traveling with when I first met you?'

"'Upon my word, I don't remember,' said Mr. Griste. 'The first show I ever traveled with was a den of performing lions, run by—well, now, it's curious that I can't recall the name!'

"'Was it Van Amburgh?' asked the elastic skin man.

"'Bless your heart, no,' said Mr. Griste. 'Why, he taught Van Amburgh the business. Funny I can't think of his name. He was a great friend of old Bill Coup's—oh, yes, now I recall the name; it was Daniel!'"—Eugene Field in Chicago News.

Where Nobody Starves.

Within a hundred miles of the east coast of Australia no native in an uncrippled condition has ever died from lack of digestible food—a rather comprehensive term in a country where fern roots are boiled like potatoes, and snails and grasshoppers are considered tidbits. Strange to say, the martyrs of that horrid diet get old, as a proof that freedom from care is, after all, the main condition of longevity. A similar phenomenon may be observed in the villages of Central Russia, where mental stagnation prevails in its ugliest forms, but where charity and parish poor laws protect every native from the risk of actual starvation.—Professor Oswald in Good Words.

Two Famous Men Converse.

A young woman was favored with a chance to hear two famous poets converse. She was walking in Cambridge, and saw Longfellow and Lowell strolling a little way ahead. Her quick step soon brought her near them. She thought to herself, "Now I will get the freshest utterances of two great men." Just before she overtook them she saw a pretty child coming along, and about to meet them. "What are little girls made of?" said one poet to the other. "Sugar and spice and all that's nice, and that's what little girls are made of."—Christian Union.

Canned Fruits in Pompeii.

A curious story is told of the origin of canned fruits. Years ago, when the excavations were beginning at Pompeii, some jars of preserved figs were found in the pantry of one of the buried houses. On being opened the fruit was found to be fresh and good, thus showing that centuries ago the art of preserving fruit was practiced and that we are indebted to the ancients for many a delicious dish.—New York World.

The biggest natural beehive in the world is that in Kentucky known as the "Mammoth Beehive." It is in reality a huge cave, the main compartment of which is 150 feet high, and whose floor covers ten acres in extent. The beehive is of solid rock, the roof of which has been entirely honeycombed by bees.

A system of electric railway signaling has appeared in England, in which, if two engines come on the same section of line, bells are automatically set ringing in each engine by an electric current. The same arrangement allows telephonic communication between the engineers and also with the signal men.

One state of the Union, which derived its usages from French and not from English originals, has no counties at all. In Louisiana these subdivisions of the state are still called parishes, both officially and in ordinary speech, though they are now divided into many real parishes of the church.

Senator Peffer, of Kansas, has had each of his eight children, three of whom are girls, learn a trade. Typesetting seems to have been most popular with them, although one daughter has fitted herself to become an amanuensis, and one son is a locomotive engineer.

One of the largest dynamos in the world is said to be in use in an aluminum works in Switzerland. The commutator is made of copper, and weighs over six tons. The machine has the capacity of developing 14,000 amperes at thirty volts.

Algeria has now about 4,000,000 population. It is not considered a colony, however, but a detached part of France, and the French chambers alone have the right of legislating for it.

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Bag in hand he retired outside to watch proceedings, peeking through a small crevice between the logs. Presently he espied an old, gray veteran approaching the bunghole. He takes a peep, then sniffs, looks cautiously about and then enters. He soon emerges from the hogshead and quickly disappears. In a trice he returns, followed by a drove amounting to hundreds, which one by one disappear through the bunghole.

"Now," chuckled Joe, "is my fun," as he skipped calmly through the door and adjusted the open mouth of the bag to the small aperture, at the same time rapping the hogshead with the toe of his boot, which produced a loud, ringing sound. With loud squeals and fierce struggles the frightened rats began to scramble through the bunghole, all landing in the bottom of the bag.

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Instead of fleeing or even retreating the rats charged in a body, and with teeth and claws so severely lacerated his face, neck and hands as to cause him to leap from the boat and swim for the shore, leaving the craft in the possession of his one time victims.—Lewiston Journal.

A Spider's Rapid Work.

When the common geometrical spider has made up its mind to spin a web, it commences operations by inclosing a certain area with the foundation lines. To these radiating lines are fixed, generally about thirty in number, and all joining in the center of the snare. When the radii are finished the spinner proceeds to weave the concentric lines, stretching them from one radiating thread to another, and forming them of the silk thickly studded with viscous drops. Starting from the center of the web, however, the first few concentric threads are without this peculiarity, the reason being that the spider likes to sometimes sit in the middle of its web, and naturally does not care to be incommoded with the sticky matter which it prepares for the special benefit of its prey.

When the snare is finished, a task which often does not occupy more than forty minutes in spite of the complicated nature of the work, the spider weaves a cell in some secluded spot close at hand, connecting it with the center of the web by means of a special thread. This, by its trembling, gives intimation of the capture of any insect in the web, and also forms a pathway by which the snugly ensconced spider is enabled to proceed on an investigating expedition. —Cornhill Magazine.

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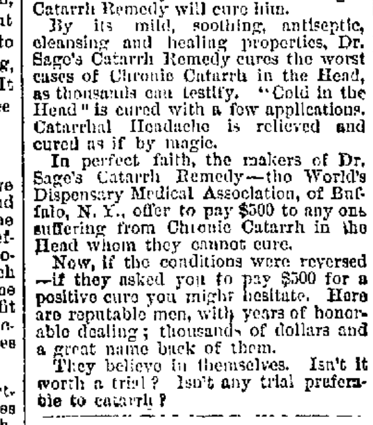
Nervous women seldom receive the sympathy they deserve. While often the pictures of health, they are constantly ailing. To withhold sympathy from the unfortunates is the height of cruelty. They have a weak heart, causing shortness of breath, fluttering, pain in the side, weak and hungry spells, and finally swelling of ankles, oppression, choking, smothering and dropsy. Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure is just the thing for them. For their nervousness, headache, weakness, etc, his Restorative Nervine is unequaled. Fine treatise on "Heart and Nervous Diseases" and marvelous testimonials free. Sold and guaranteed by W. C. Armstrong. d&w



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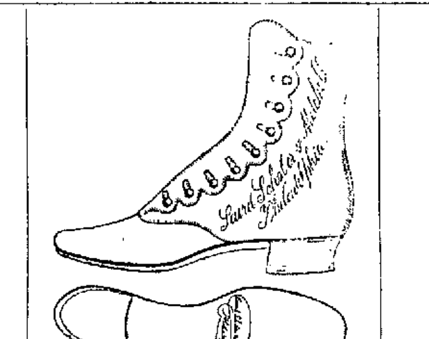

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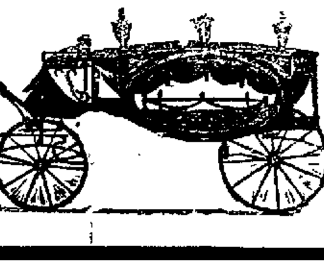

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On Dec. 14th and 15th Progress Lodge No. 141, D. of R, will give a Pink and Green Sociable and oyster supper at the home of Mrs. A. T. Grist, 136 East Jefferson street. A very entertaining programme has been arranged for each evening; also a number of handsome articles to be disposed of for the benefit of the order. A liberal attendance solicited. Odd Fellows and their families especially invited. 3 dtd

MRS. COLESON, Chicago's leading shorthand teacher, is having unusual success in securing positions for her pupils within 14 weeks' time. The World's Fair city is the place to get positions in shorthand. Several of Mrs. Coleson's pupils are employed by the Columbian exposition at splendid salaries. For terms address Mrs. Coleson, McVicker's Theatre Building. dec3 dtf

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CLERGYMEN desiring permits for 1892 over the Wabash Railroad will please call and sign applications at city ticket office. 28-d5

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

THOMSON AND HIS RATS.

Was Going to Have Fun Seeing Them Swim, but They Saw Him Swim Instead.

The question is frequently asked whence the name of Thomson pond, a sheet of water in western Maine extending through four towns and lying partly in three counties. Tradition says it was named from the first settler, Joe Thomson. During his sojourn he was seriously troubled by rats. He first provided himself with a stout leather bag of the capacity of four bushels. He then placed an empty hogshead in his log hovel, leaving the bunghole open, through which he dropped a small quantity of meat scraps and crumbs.

Bag in hand he retired outside to watch proceedings, peeking through a small crevice between the logs. Presently he espied an old, gray veteran approaching the bunghole. He takes a peep, then sniffs, looks cautiously about and then enters. He soon emerges from the hogshead and quickly disappears. In a trice he returns, followed by a drove amounting to hundreds, which one by one disappear through the bunghole.

"Now," chuckled Joe, "is my fun," as he skipped calmly through the door and adjusted the open mouth of the bag to the small aperture, at the same time rapping the hogshead with the toe of his boot, which produced a loud, ringing sound. With loud squeals and fierce struggles the frightened rats began to scramble through the bunghole, all landing in the bottom of the bag.

His first thought was to drown them by sinking the bag in the pond, but being in a rather gamesome mood, as was often the case, he concluded to put the bag in his boat, and after rowing to a good distance from the shore then release them, and with his ox goad have a good time knocking them in the head.

Rowing out several rods from the shore and being in high glee at the thought of wreaking vengeance on the "varmints" which had given so much trouble, he without hesitation untied the bag, expecting to see the frightened creatures at once leap into the water, but he quickly found himself mistaken.

Instead of fleeing or even retreating the rats charged in a body, and with teeth and claws so severely lacerated his face, neck and hands as to cause him to leap from the boat and swim for the shore, leaving the craft in the possession of his one time victims.—Lewiston Journal.

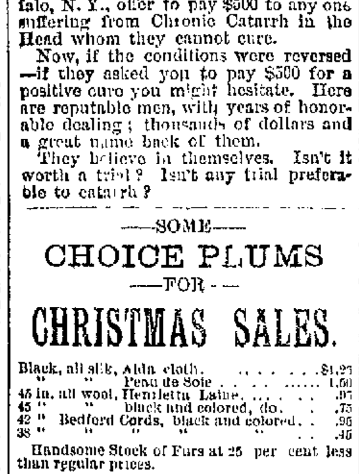
A Spider's Rapid Work.

When the common geometrical spider has made up its mind to spin a web, it commences operations by inclosing a certain area with the foundation lines. To these radiating lines are fixed, generally about thirty in number, and all joining in the center of the snare. When the radii are finished the spinner proceeds to weave the concentric lines, stretching them from one radiating thread to another, and forming them of the silk thickly studded with viscous drops. Starting from the center of the web, however, the first few concentric threads are without this peculiarity, the reason being that the spider likes to sometimes sit in the middle of its web, and naturally does not care to be incommoded with the sticky matter which it prepares for the special benefit of its prey.

When the snare is finished, a task which often does not occupy more than forty minutes in spite of the complicated nature of the work, the spider weaves a cell in some secluded spot close at hand, connecting it with the center of the web by means of a special thread. This, by its trembling, gives intimation of the capture of any insect in the web, and also forms a pathway by which the snugly ensconced spider is enabled to proceed on an investigating expedition. —Cornhill Magazine.

Height of Cruelty.

Nervous women seldom receive the sympathy they deserve. While often the pictures of health, they are constantly ailing. To withhold sympathy from the unfortunates is the height of cruelty. They have a weak heart, causing shortness of breath, fluttering, pain in the side, weak and hungry spells, and finally swelling of ankles, oppression, choking, smothering and dropsy. Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure is just the thing for them. For their nervousness, headache, weakness, etc. his Restorative Nervine is unequaled. Fine treatise on "Heart and Nervous Diseases" and marvelous testimonials free. Sold and guaranteed by W. C. Armstrong. d&w



Making Glad the Waste (Waist) Places.

"That's what I call making glad the waist places," said Smithson, as he put his arm around a lady's waist. But Lilly won't care much for this show of affection if Smithson doesn't get rid of that disagreeable catarrh of his. Won't somebody tell him that Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy will cure him.

By its mild, soothing, antiseptic, cleansing and healing properties, Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy cures the worst cases of Chronic Catarrh in the Head, as thousands can testify. "Cold in the Head" is cured with a few applications. Catarrhal Headache is relieved and cured as if by magic.

In perfect faith, the makers of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy—the World's Dispensary Medical Association, of Buffalo, N. Y., offer to pay $500 to any one suffering from Chronic Catarrh in the Head whom they cannot cure.

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Black, all silk, Alda cloth	$1.25
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debility, and that
tired feeling.
Has Cured Others
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ALL SORTS.

Wire Finer Than Hair.

We are at work just now on some pretty small wire. It is 1-500th of an inch in diameter—finer than the hair on your head, a great deal. Ordinary fine wire is drawn through steel plates, but that wouldn't do for this work, because if the hole wore away ever so little it would make the wire larger, and that would spoil the job. Instead, it is drawn through what is practically a hole in a diamond, to which there is, of course, no wear. These diamond plates are made by a woman in New York, who has a monopoly of the art in this country. The wire is then run through machinery, which winds it spirally with a layer of silk thread that is .0015 of an inch in thickness—even finer than the wire, you see. This wire is used in making the receiving instruments of ocean cables, the galvanometers used in testing cables and measuring insulation of covered wires.—Interview with a Manufacturer.

GOOD ADVICE—The Editor of the West Branch, Iowa, *Record*, gives his readers some good advice. "We have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our family in cases of sudden colds and sore throat and find it all that is claimed for it. One bottle or less if taken according to directions will, we believe, effect a cure in any ordinary case and save the expense of large doctor bills. Especially do we recommend it in families where the children are threatened with croup, as it will afford immediate relief, if taken in time, which can always be done if the medicine is kept on hand, as we are convinced it should be. For sale by W. F. Neisler, druggist.

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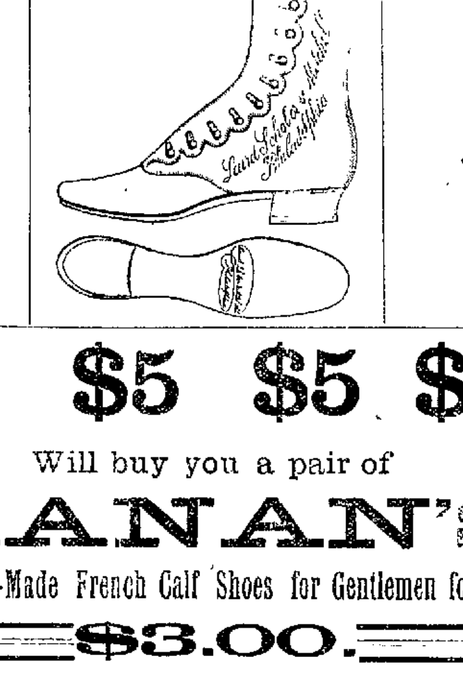

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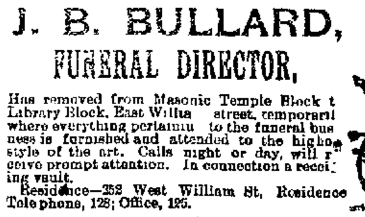

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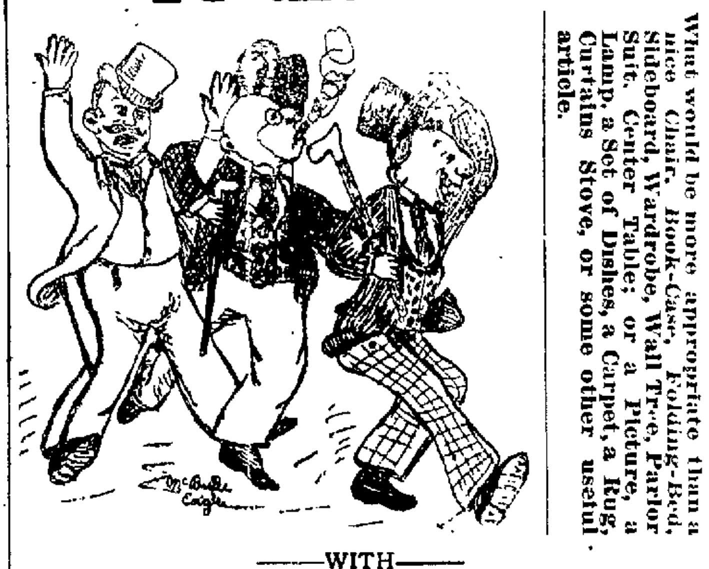

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50 LBS. PATENT FLOUR	$1.35.
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Special Tax Notice.

Public notice is hereby given that the county court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, has rendered judgment for special taxes upon the property benefited by the following local improvement: The construction and laying of a sewer in the city of Decatur, in Macon county, in the state of Illinois, commencing at and connecting with a slant joint opening on the west side of Broadway Street Sewer, opposite the alley running east and west between East Edmond street and Condit street, which said sewer is to be constructed from its said beginning point westward, on the central line of said alley to a point on the central line of the alley running north and south between North Water street and Warren street, and which said sewer is to be constructed from said last named point, both north and south, on the central line of said last named alley to points within twenty (20) feet of said East Edmond street, and Condit street, together with all connections, Y junctions, catch basins, man holes, openings and adjuncts pertaining thereto, as will more fully appear from the certified copy of the judgment on file in my office, that a warrant for the collection of such special assessments is in the hands of the undersigned. All persons interested are hereby notified to call and pay the amounts specially taxed, at the collector's office, No. 247 North Main street, in said city, being the city clerk's office, within thirty days from the date hereof.

Dated this 12th day of November, A. D. 1891.

L. P. SKELLEY, City Clerk.

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

State of Illinois, } In the Circuit Court.
Macon County. }

Lyon & Armstrong } No. 1399.
Company vs. } Bill for Foreclosure.
Sarah Ann Search et al }

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the September term of said court, A. D. 1891, I, James J. Finn, Master-in-Chancery of said Court, will on

Saturday, the 26th day of December 1891,

at the hour of 3 o clock p. m. at the west entrance to the stairway leading to the Circuit Court room, from South Water street, in the city of Decatur, in said County, offer for sale, at public auction to the highest and best bidder, for cash, subject to redemption, according to law, the real estate in said decree, directed to be sold, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy the debts in said decree mentioned, said real estate being described as follows, to-wit:

The north half (½) of the southwest quarter (¼) of the northeast quarter (¼) of the southwest quarter (¼) of section ten, township sixteen north, range two east of the 3d principal meridian, in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Ill., this 3d day of December, A. D. 1891.

JAMES J. FINN,
Master in Chancery.

OUTTEN & PAGE, Solicitors. dec4-dtd

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The Decatur agent for the Remington Standard Typewriter is J. H. Young, at the Republican office. dtf

[illegible] Mantels, at very reasonable prices, at Lytle & Eckels Hardware Company. tf

[illegible] when the office seeks the man, [illegible] very sluggish compared with the other sort.

$[illegible] will buy the Daisy air rifle, the [illegible] sparrow gun in the city, at H. Mueller & Sons'. nov21-d&w1m

[illegible] Decatur nut coal at $1.30 per ton, delivered. Send orders by telephone. Call Nos. 89, 109 or 227. oct12-dtf

[illegible] Hats for ladies at "The Style" 121 North Water street. They are just the [illegible] for stormy weather. We are the [illegible] agents for these goods in Decatur.

Call at the City Book Store and see the [illegible] fountain pen, the most [illegible]. Can be refitted with any gold pen. J. H. Bevans. 2dw1w

Rev. A. P. Cobb is becoming quite popular at Springfield as a minister. He is frequently called upon to officiate at weddings.

"I use Ayer's Cherry Pectoral freely in my practice, and recommend it in cases of Whooping Cough among children, having found it more certain to cure that disease than any other medicine I know of." So says Dr. Bartlett, of Concord, Mass.

The finest Ice Skate in the market, the [illegible] Club, priced from 60c up, [illegible] styles in ladies' and gents', sold by H. Mueller & Sons. d&w1m

Special sale of millinery every Wednesday and Saturday afternoons and evenings. Auction prices. 254 North [illegible]. Howe & Harper. [illegible]

The [illegible] annual meeting of the Cider and [illegible] Vinegar Association will be held at the St. Nicholas Hotel, Springfield, Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 15 and 16. This is a National organization, though the membership is confined mainly to Illinois and Missouri, and a [illegible] large attendance is expected. [illegible], of Brighton, Ill., is the President, and L. B. Bryant, of Princeton, Ill., is secretary.

DECEMBER WEATHER.

What Hicks Says About Cold and Snow

We condense the following from "Word and Work," Rev. Irl Hicks' paper on December weather:

December 1st and 2nd are reactionary storm days, higher temperature and more or less rain, turning to sleet and snow, with [illegible] actual storm[illegible] along about normal storm belts. Be ready for cold days to follow the disturbances. An equinox of Mercury on the 4th, increases [illegible] conditions, with tendency to rain and sleet, especially during the storm period running from the 6th to the 10th. After the 11th the cold will relax progressively from west to east, shifts of atmospheric pressure causing southerly currents and falls of rain and snow. An energetic high barometer with cold will slip in behind these disturbances, leading up to next regular storm period, which runs from the 17th to the 21st. The culmination of winter solstice about the exact period, at about which time very hard winter storms are almost certain. Prepare for them and for dangerously cold days to follow. Most part of the continent will have cold or snow both to the northwest at Christmas. About the 25th will come a rise in temperature, the forerunner of reactionary conditions about 26th to 27th, with renewed cold following up to about the 31st. On that date will fall a second new moon for December, also the beginning of a regular storm period which runs into January. The month will go out warm, with storms advancing from the west.

Valuable Deed Dug Up.

Pittsburg Special: A paper that will doubtless have an important effect upon the long standing litigation over the site of the famous Conemaugh furnaces at Johnstown, has been found. It is a deed, and was discovered lying in the bottom of a tin box of old coins dug up by some laborers excavating for a house in the [illegible] district.

The deed was executed in the city of Pittsburg on February 18, 1775. It calls for the conveyance of certain property situated on the east side of the Kiskiminetas river, in Armstrong county, of which Andrew Hamilton C. Curt[illegible] was the owner, but for the sum of fifteen pounds [illegible] sterling the lands were conveyed to one Lambert Cadwalader.

The deed is signed by John Penn, at that time the provisional governor. It was written upon sheepskin, and is in an excellent state of preservation.

Guaranteed Cure for La Grippe.

We authorize our advertised druggist to sell you Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, upon this condition. If you are afflicted with La Grippe and will use this remedy according to directions, giving it a fair trial and experience no benefit, you may return the bottle and have your money refunded. We make this offer because of the wonderful success of Dr. King's New Discovery during last year's epidemic. Have heard of no case in which it failed. Try it. Trial bottle free at King & Wood's drug store. Large size 50c and $1.00.

Dr. Nicholas, the newly elected Bishop of Geneva, is fond of wood carving, at which he has become expert.

More serious sickness is produced by allowing the bowels to remain in a torpid or a partially constipated condition than from any other cause. In many instances diseases are produced, from which people never wholly recover. Dyspepsia, piles and nervous disorders are the most common and most serious. They are caused by neglecting that which can be prevented by an occasional dose of St. Patrick's Pills, which always produce a pleasant cathartic effect, and not only physic; but cleanse the whole system and regulate the liver and bowels. 25 cents per box. For sale by W. F. Nesler, Druggist.

If you want something choice in pocket books, bill books, card cases, leather writing desks, portfolio, visiting and address sets, or any kind of fine leather goods, you will find them at the City Book Store. J. H. Bevans. n30d&w1w

ELEGANT FURNITURE

A Great Supply in Stock at the Time Block.

SANTA CLAUS AND CHRISTMAS.

George W. Meyer and the Model Store—An Endless Variety of Useful and Beautiful Goods for the Home, the Office and the Parlor—Call and See.

George W. Meyer, the progressive furniture dealer, is right in it again this year, only on a more colossal scale than ever before in the history of his successful career as a merchant. The patronage of Mr. Meyer has increased steadily each year, until he was forced to seek a larger place of business, and now he is in full possession of the "Time Block," the handsome four-story building on North Water street, opposite the Baptist Church, where he has in stock a magnificent line of splendid furniture of modern style and finish. Ample space is afforded for the tasteful display, a showing which is not surpassed in quality and style by any similar establishment in Chicago or any other city. The building is 40x100 feet in size, with four floors, giving a total of 16,000 superficial feet for the extensive business. On each floor is a labyrinth of beautiful goods, carefully selected and tastefully arranged, so that it is really a pleasure and delight for the visitor to look through the establishment, which is splendidly lighted on each floor to better exhibit the elegant goods, which at once command the admiration and envy of all who enter the store.

SEE THEM.

The leading articles to which special attention is called are the beautiful parlor suits, novelties in cheffoniers, sideboards, ladies' desks, library, parlor and dining tables, ladies' dressing tables, rockers, rocking chairs, hall racks, bookcases, office chairs and desks, iron and brass bedsteads, single and double couches, a variety of hair mattresses and pillows, and several patterns of the famous Windsor folding bed, over one hundred of which are in use in Decatur, every one giving perfect satisfaction.

The manufacturing department is on the fourth floor, beneath the clock tower, where skilled mechanics with the latest appliances are at work daily making elegant parlor pieces to order, using the richest silk material of varied hues and producing lovely effects in designs and colors. Purchasers can be suited not only in shape of furniture, but also in color of trimming, where the sample goods on sale are not acceptable.

In fact Mr. Meyer has a complete furniture establishment, no department or feature of the business lacking, and he is now prepared to successfully compete with Chicago houses both as to quality and prices of goods in his line.

The holiday goods have received the endorsement of Santa Claus himself, and those wishing to spend their money wisely and at the same time please their relatives or friends with a gift both useful and ornamental will do well to call at Meyer's furniture store and make selections early to avoid the rush sure to come on Christmas week.

In the show windows, which are confessedly the largest and finest in Decatur, will be seen samples of some of the finer grades of goods on sale.

It is no trouble to visit every floor of the establishment. There is a steam elevator with cushion seats in the store. It stops at every floor and each department is a revelation of beauty in the furniture line.

CARROLL IS WEAK-KNEED.

He Expresses His Opinion of His Ability to Defeat Myer.

In speaking of his coming fight with Myer, Carroll said: "I see that Myer and Kennedy are trying to make some people believe that I am a great fighter and that Myer will have a hard fight to defeat me. Now, I do not wish the public to be hoodwinked by Myer and his backer, who seem to be trying to make me the favorite, when they feel in their hearts that I am not in it. I know I am old and am not the man Myer is, and if there is anything in youth being stronger and lasting longer Myer has the best of the game. Sullivan is a young man when compared to me, and many say he is not what he was when a younger man. Billy Myer himself is a fighter and won the title of 'cyclone boxer.' I have seen him fight, and I guess I know a fighter when I see one. Of course my friends expect me to do my best, and I know myself I will train to the best of my ability, and if anybody risks his money on me I can only hope he may win."

Population of Illinois Cities.

The order of cities in Illinois outside of Chicago, is now:

Peoria	41,015
Quincy	31,494
Springfield	25,963
Rockford	23,584
Joliet	23,204
Bloomington	20,484
Aurora	19,588
Elgin	17,823
Decatur	16,841
Belleville	15,361
Galesburg	15,273
East St. Louis	15,169
Danville	14,401
Rock Island	13,634
Jacksonville	13,935
Moline	12,000
Streator	11,414
Cairo	10,324
Alton	10,294
Freeport	10,189

The others fall below 10,000.

Beautiful Pianos and Organs.

Selected especially for the holiday trade, now on exhibition at my store. Now is the time to make a selection from my magnificent stock consisting of the Ivers & Pond and Bush & Gerts pianos, with the new "Soft Stop" attachment that saves wear of pianos, and prevents any annoyance from a beginners practice. It is commended by the greatest critics in America and Europe. The new styles of the Miller and Waterloo organs cannot be surpassed in tone, action or design. Violins Guitars, Banjos and Mandolins in great variety for Xmas presents. *Special prices* on Pianos and Organs and small instruments for the next 30 days. Some have already made selections of instruments to be delivered Christmas. Make your selection now.

Dec. 1-d3&w1 S. M. LUTZ.

WOOD PUMPS, Chain Pumps, Iron Force Pumps, for sale at Spencer & Lehman's. nov6-d&wtf

EDWARDSVILLE,

Madison County—Its Profits in Wheat and Loss in Fruit.

EDWARDSVILLE, ILL, Nov. 27.

DECATUR REPUBLICAN:—This little city of 4,000 busy people, situated on the great Wabash railway, the main line of which it is connected with a junction road of a mile's length, is the county seat of Madison, the banner wheat county of Illinois this year, and the center of one of the richest fruit belts in the north or west.

Two other railways have bent their way to reach the commerce of Edwardsville—the Jacksonville Southeastern and the Toledo, St. Louis and Kansas City. The town is reveling now in a genuine boom. It is a sort of hive of varied industries and factories. Notwithstanding the fact that large donations in land and money have been made to companies, the citizens seem quite ready to induce other industries to come. The people have quite a strong friendliness, commercially, for Chicago, with which they deal directly through the rapid trains of the Wabash, whose operatives and capitalists have grown the suburb known as Leclaire, 800 strong. This company pursues the unique plan of the famous Frenchman for whom the famous suburb is named, and is known as the N. O. Nelson Manufacturing company. It operates the making of sanitary goods, as they are called, such as bath tubs, water closets, etc., besides a steam press brick process, employing in all from 200 to 300 men. Every workman becomes a stockholder in the concern to the extent of the value of his labor, and shares the dividends of the business. The plan seems a novel one in this country, but is quite satisfactory to the laborer, and so far profitable. Chicago is the great fruit market for this section. Apples on this road can be sent at 7 in the evening and are in the markets and on the tables of northern Illinois people next morning. Extending from the city environs 15 miles west to the Marley bluffs around Alton also in this county reaching up and down the river are the celebrated American bottoms. Three-fifths of these lands, whose richness is scarcely exaggerated by their name, are under cultivation, despite malaria and moisture. They yield a phenomenal product of wheat, potatoes and melons. The soil is a dark yellowish alluvium resting upon a deep substratum of blue clay beneath which is an exhaustless lake of water mixed with quicksand. These bottoms, supposedly once the basin of a great lake, and the other soils also, are rich in the silicates that makes cereals grow.

The Madison county wheat yield this year is 2,640,000 bushels being grown on 120,000 acres, makes an average of 22 bushels to the acre. This quantity is over 400,000 more than the product of St. Clair, which itself, almost doubles the yield of six other great wheat counties, producing over a million bushels each. Figuring liberally on the cost of raising and allowing $1 per bushel, the profits to Madison county wheat raisers this year will be, if any, but little short of a million dollars.

In the attempt to grow wheat here, it is like cotton in many parts of the south, pushed so far as to retard other fields of productiveness

In these forest girt glens and yellow hills, the natural paradise of the apple and pear, may be seen orchard after orchard of illshaped, untrimmed brushy, decaying seedlings of a halfcentury since. Some of these orchards, the present season, were nearly barren, and hearing much complaint of failure as far as Litchfield and Mt. Olive, your correspondent exercised himself to ascertain the cause of the shortage.

Relying on personal observation we can truthfully say: There is no evidence of any new pest or any unfavorable phase of climate to fruits. That old fruit trees, like old animals, give out as poor in quality as some of them are, has not, it seems, occurred to the improvident raisers of apples and pears; while to those who have matured modern varieties who have sprayed the blossoms, and who recognize that pruning is an art that every clumsy laborer cannot perform, the idea of any noticeable shortage this year has not occurred.

The reputed failure has had nothing whatever to do with the exorbitant prices of apples and pears in the Northern Illinois towns. In many parts of Madison county apples were very low, hardly worth handling, and pears were so abundant that many bushels rotted under the trees, for want of purchasers. The same kind of fruit was placarded in grocery fronts at prices ranging from $1.50 to $2 per bushel, yet the retailer will tell you he has made no money; and now the shipper at this end of the string says the same thing. The cost of gathering, transfer from such cheap production to such costly consumption may not be due to the rapacity of middle men, but to the actual costs of exchange. These elegant palace cars and express coaches cost lots of money; the commission men in Chicago, without whom the exchanges could not be facilitated must have their profits. The barrels and baskets cost, also the drayage, and not leastly by any means is the great grievance of which these shippers complain in the allowance for shrinkage booked against them after paying freight and commission on the dead loss.

Ordinary pears are worth to the farmer 30 cents but these will not justify the shipping. A good marketable quality were bought of the raisers this year for 65 cents. Add to this 40 cents for expenses, 10 cents for barrel and 15 cents commission expense and the pears in Chicago are worth $1.30.

Not allowing for shrinkage and drayage the profits thus to the shipper at $1.50 are less than 20 cents. The figuring is even less favorable in the case of peaches. The leading shipper of Edwardsville who has for two years shipped to Chicago and has sent consignments to Liverpool says: "I have concluded to quit the fruit business; it has been a losing trade to me." So there is not the bonanza in fruit raising that seems to be the illusion of those who are not in the fruit districts.

B. F. S.

Troutman News.

Corn is coming into town right lively, and J. Troutman is paying the top price for corn in the ear or shelled; more than any other buyers will pay. Give him a chance.

Rev. Bryant will preach at Sharon next Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Miss Lillie Linthicum was able to come to town yesterday.

Thomas Leonard and John Ray will start this week for St. Louis to learn telegraphy. Success to the boys.

C. Morrison has purchased the Samuel Perry threshing outfit.

Wm. Sawyer sold his fat hogs at $3.65 per 100 pounds.

James Constant is home from Latham.

Uncle Harrison Henson writes from Las Vegas, N. M., that he can eat three meals a day and can rest easy.

Peter Troutman, of Victor, Kan., renews his subscription to the REPUBLICAN and writes that he is well.

November corn and yellow corn reached 75c in our town.

We insure our village property with Handy & Kuny, Decatur. SUB.

Dec. 2.

Royal Ruby Port Wine.

If you are reduced in vitality or strength by illness or any other cause, we recommend the use of this grand old Port Wine, the very blood of the grape. A grand tonic for mothers nursing and those reduced by wasting diseases. It creates strength, improves the appetite. Nature's own remedy, much preferable to drugs, guaranteed absolutely pure and of age. Young wine ordinarily sold by druggists is not fit to use. Insist on having this standard brand, it costs no more. $1.00 in quart bottles only. Royal Port Wine Co., Chicago. For sale by Dr. A. J. Stoner.

DIAMONDS!

Having had an excellnt trade in Diamonds the last year I have selected a fine stock for the Holiday trade

This is something that requires experience and good judgment.

In my selection I have Pins, Pendants, Ear-Rings, Scarf Pins, Studs and Rings, which are very Cheap in price, and the quality is of the best.

Each and every Diamond I sell I guarantee to be exactly as represented. The Pins and and Pendants that I have are the Handsomest and Latest Designs made.

Call and see them. My Prices are ALWAYS the LOWEST.

WATCHES.

In these goods I always have had a Complete Stock, but for the Holiday trade I have received some New Patterns, the Latest Thing Out.

Owing to the REDUCTION IN PRICE by the Watch Factories I am now prepared to sell Watches almost at your own price. Watches now are cheaper than they ever were. Call Early and Make Your Selections.

E. J. HARPSTRITE, The Jeweler, 146 East Prairie Street, EAST OF POST OFFICE.

A SAD CASE.

Sudden Death of an Old Lady En Route to Meet Her Son.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 4.—Among the passengers on the Pacific express which left this city on the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne & Chicago railway, at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, was an aged lady named Cusack. As the train was nearing Wooster, O., two ladies chanced to walk to the forward end of the car and were alarmed at the elderly lady's appearance. Thinking she had fainted they grasped her hands but quickly dropped them and screamed for help. Mrs. Cusack was dead. The body was carefully laid out, and at Crestline was taken off the train to be prepared for burial.

Her ticket bore the name of Mrs. Cusack, of Ireland. She left her home in Ireland two weeks ago and was on her way to Chicago to join her only son who is in business in that city. Mrs. Cusack's sudden death was probably due to apoplexy. The officials have found the son and he is now at Crestline to take charge of his mother's remains.

An Ex-Mayor Charged With Embezzlement.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 4.—Yesterday afternoon Solicitor Elphinstone and Controller Brown, of Allegheny City, appeared before Alderman McMasters and swore out a warrant for the arrest of Ex-Mayor Richard T. Pearson, charging him with embezzlement. The warrant alleges that during his term of office as mayor of the City of Allegheny, Mr. Pearson did willfully and fraudulently, convert and apply to his own use, or to the use of some other person not the owner, the sum of $790, the property of the City of Allegheny which he did not return into the city treasury. A telephone message brought Ex-Mayor Pearson and his bondsman to the office of the alderman, where bail was given in the sum of $1,000 for trial at court.

A Distressing and Fatal Accident.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 4.—One of the most horrible accidents imaginable, by which a mother and child were burned to death, happened at 2118 Delgany street early Wednesday evening, the victims being Mrs. George Masten and her infant son. The accident was caused by the child upsetting a lamp on a table causing it to explode and scattering the burning oil over the child. The mother, seeing the child in flames, grabbed it in her arms and dashed into the street where she fell, burned almost to a crisp, with the dead body of the child in her arms. The father is so crazed with grief that the physician fears he will become insane.

A Fatal Collision.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Dec. 6.—The train leaving New York at 4 o'clock, on the Jersey Central road, was wrecked at Pennington at 5:30 yesterday afternoon, and four person were killed and a number injured. The accident was caused by the fast train crashing into the rear end of a gravel train that was standing on the main track. All of the cars on the passenger train, with the exception of the Pullman car, were demolished.

Money in London.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The Evening Post's London dispatch says: "The bank's reserve shows a decrease this week of £403,000, all but £40,000 of which is in international circulation. There is a large increase of securities, the bank having bought government stock preparatory for the Goschen scheme of issuing £1 notes. The market supply of money was increased yesterday through borrowings at the bank to cover monthly demands.

Fell Into a Deep Well.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 4.—Wednesday evening a negro girl named Nancy Mayhe, living in the country near here, fell into a well, 100 feet deep, her skull being broken. The girl went to the well to draw water and the rope slipped from the wheel, and when she attempted to fix it she lost her balance. The body was recovered.

DECORATE THE PIANO.

In Small Rooms It Is Now Made a Thing of Beauty and an Artistic Joy.

The magic skill of modern decorators has vanquished the formidable aggressiveness even of the parlor piano. Formerly pianos were most obstinately, hopelessly angular objects in a pretty parlor, positively refusing to lend themselves to any scheme of decoration. But even a piano has possibilities, and since these possibilities have been discovered and realized the piano is the keynote of the whole decorative scheme. Of course in all city parlors an upright piano is used, and instead of being set back against the wall like a child in disgrace, it is now turned out into the room almost at right angles, which is decidedly more agreeable to the performer. The back of the instrument is then draped with some beautiful material, hanging like a curtain to the floor.

Sometimes a plain piece of Roman sheeting is used, a silken damask or Pompadour velvet, with the main color in harmony with the room. Some ladies introduce a small picture or bit of embroidery in one upper corner, around which the drapery is hung gracefully, or clever needlewomen embroider the whole drapery in quaint, odd designs. A scarf of silk harmonizing with the hanging at the back falls over the top of the piano, and there are candelabra or some light pieces of bric-a-brac that will not rattle when the instrument is in use. Such are the possibilities of a piano as an object of decorative art, but wonderful indeed are its possibilities in another direction.

Placed near a bay window, it shuts in the coziest lovers' nest imaginable. Soft cushioned window seats that have room for just two—intuitive seats they might be called—are hidden thus away completely from the cold, cruel world. Smokers' retreats with little couches may be hidden in the shadow of such a piano when rich hangings fall from a corner window. Or a delightful tea corner is made with a screen for a doorway, and soft divans and dim lights inside. Miss Georgia Cayvan has such a tea corner in her artistic little house in Harlem.

The back of the piano is hung with a soft shade of yellow, brocaded with dull green leaves and flowers. Against this the little tea table is placed, with its dainty belongings, and a low chair beside it where the hostess presides. A yellow cushioned divan extends entirely around this corner, lighted by the soft radiance of a lamp with a pale green shade, and piled high with a baker's dozen of pillows—large and small and medium—with bright silken covers.—New York Sun.

Uncivil Railway Porters.

All English railway companies are very particular about civility being shown to the public, with perhaps one exception, known to most railway men; but even that company has now improved in this respect, as well as in many others. A baldheaded director of this company was traveling with some strangers, and at one of the stations one of them asked the name of the place. A porter pointed to the name board, remarking, "Can't you read?" The director was somewhat vexed, but said nothing. At the next station another of the passengers asked if they changed there for A——. "Sit still, and don't bother; this ain't a junction," the porter replied.

The director, who was much surprised at the incivility of the porters, told the strangers who he was, and expressed regret that they had been so spoken to. "I will see, however," he said, "if they will speak in the same way to me." At the next station he put his head out of the window, but could get no one's attention till the train was moving off, when a porter came up and shouted to him, "Keep your bald head in, old buffer, or you'll catch cold." He fumed with rage, but the strangers seemed to enjoy his defeat.

There was trouble at those three stations the next day, and three faces were seen no more on those platforms.—Chambers' Journal.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—Ex-Speaker Reed left Boston at noon yesterday for Washington.

—Webster Groves, Mo., 8 miles west of St. Louis, suffered a $12,000 fire early yesterday morning.

—John McManus was hanged in Moyamensing (Pa.) prison yard, yesterday. The drop fell at 10:09.

—The navy department has received a telegram announcing the arrival of the Boston at Montevideo yesterday morning.

—Hugo Michler, aged 67, hanged himself in a coal shed in the rear of the residence of his son-in-law, 2227 Sidney street, St. Louis, Wednesday night.

—Willis Harryhay, eighteenth earl of Errol, died yesterday. He was born in 1823, and succeeded to the earldom in 1846. He sat in the house of lords as Lord Kilmarnock.

—A dispatch from Glasgow, Scotland, says that a serious explosion of gas has taken place in the underground railway workings there. Six persons were seriously injured.

—Fire yesterday destroyed the drug mill of Murray & Nockell, at Chicago, together with a large quantity of manufactured drugs and chemicals. The loss will approximate $100,000.

—The czar has appointed a new metropolitan of the Greek church, and has decreed vigorous action against the Stundists, who, he says, "are injuring more and more the faith of our fathers."

—Gov.-elect McKinley, who was to have been the principal guest at the inaugural dinner of the Fellowship club of Chicago, telegraphed, yesterday, that illness of his wife compelled him at the last moment to cancel the engagement.

—Ex-Senator Bell, of Peoria, Ill., who was stricken with apoplexy on Tuesday, lies in a critical condition. He can neither eat nor speak. His physicians are at his side constantly, but his recovery is almost impossible.

—The suspension of several banks and building associations has caused depression in financial circles in Melbourne. Banks are conservative about extending credits, but no serious result is expected. The suspended institutions will liquidate in full.

—Actor M. B. Curtis, who shot and killed Policeman Alexander Grant, in San Francisco, has sued out a writ of habeas corpus returnable before the supreme court. Curtis is now in the county jail awaiting trial for murder and wants to be released on bail, which was refused him by Judge Troutt.

—The mercantile appraisers of Philadelphia, were up before Judge Finletter in the court of quarter sessions yesterday. They were Edward T. W. Patton, Samuel Hoseman, Albert Crawford, James B. Bell and Harry Hunter. Furman Sheppard, the counsel for the appraisers, in their behalf, pleaded guilty to two of the six indictments against them.

AN OLD STORY.—"Do you know, Miss Honeydew—er—Dolly—you are the first girl I have ever kissed!" "Oh, that's just what they all say!"

TRUE.—"When do you do your best work, Mr. Cynicus?" "Never. There is no market for it."

A RECENT meeting of anarchists in Barcelona honored the memory of those hanged in Chicago in 1887.

Dr. JOHN BULL'S SARSAPARILLA.

A teaspoonful of Dr. John Bull's Sarsaparilla contains more concentrated medicinal and curative virtue than a tablespoonful of any other sarsaparilla made. A bottle contains 192 teaspoonsful. Now an invalid wants his money's worth. He wants good measure and full value. Therefore, unless misled through ignorance, when his system needs

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blood purifier, when his system needs a good tonic, when his system is breaking down, he will demand of his druggist a bottle of Dr. John Bull's Sarsaparilla, and on no occasion be persuaded to take any thing that may be offered in its stead as being "just as good." There is no other remedy so good for such diseases as scrofula, syphilitic affections, salt-rheum, itch, eczema, pimples, sores, rheumatism, lame back, swollen joints, aching muscles, nervous weakness, nervous debility, loss of appetite, loss of flesh, loss of strength, sleeplessness, premature old age, etc.

T. H. Woodruff, Jeffersonville, Ind., writes: "For ten years I had been an invalid. I became a chronic medicine taker. There is not a blood remedy or a tonic advertised that I did not try. From none of them did I derive any permanent good. I became discouraged. My system was full of blood impurities. My skin was covered in places with brown patches and little sores. My muscles had lost their strength. I was very weak. My

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and digestion were miserable. I kept growing worse and worse until I began to use Dr. Bull's Sarsaparilla. I then began to rally at once, and grew stronger and stronger; my improvement in looks and feeling is so great I seem like another person. I give the whole credit of my recovery to Dr. Bull's Sarsaparilla."

Smith's Tonic Syrup is the most reliable cure for Chills and Fever.

Dr. John Bull's Worm Destroyer.

This has proven itself the only safe and sure remedy for worms in children or grown people. It destroys and removes both worms and their eggs or nests. No other remedy gives such quick and permanent relief. It tastes good and never fails. Price 25 cents at drug stores, or sent by mail by John D. Park & Sons Co., wholesale agents, 175 and 177 Sycamore Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

KING & WOOD, Agents.

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PRICES

This Week at

THE * FAIR

House-Furnishing Goods Department.

B't lanterns, worth 75c; this week	37
No. 8 wash boiler, worth 75c; this week	58
No. 9 wash boiler, worth 85c; this week	68
No. 9 all copper bottom wash boiler, worth $2.75; this week	$1 98
Med. Sq. dinner bucket, worth 40c; this week	28
Large Sq. dinner bucket, worth 50c; this week	33
Pint tin cup	2
B blade slaw cutter	18
2 blade slaw cutter	28
10 Qt. slop pail	28
4 Qt. tin oil can	15
4 Qt. glass oil can	25
All sizes pie pans	3
All sizes jelly pans	3
½ Gal. cord buckets	7
Carpet tacks, per doz	7
1 Qt. filter coffee pot, worth 55c; this week	40
3 Qt. filter coffee pot, worth 80c; this week	55
4 Qt. filter coffee pot, worth 90c; this week	60
10 Qt. dishpan	20
14 Qt. dishpan	25
17 Qt. dishpan	30

Blue and White Steel Enameled Ware.

2 Qt. sauce pans, now	25
3 Qt. sauce pans, now	35
4 Qt. sauce pans, now	40
5 Qt. sauce pans, now	45
Medium wash basins	35
Large wash basins	40
3 Qt. preserving kettles	43
4 Qt. preserving kettles	58
5 Qt. preserving kettles	65
No. 9 tea kettles	$1 25

Never-Break Wrought Steel Ware less than Factory prices.

6 Qt. kettles, worth $1.25 now	98
7 Qt. kettles, worth $1.50, now	$1 10
8 Qt. kettles, worth $1.65, now	1 25
Genuine hunter sifters, worth 25c, now	16
Black hand ed rolling pins, worth 10c	7
Hard wood tooth-picks	3
Towel-rollers, now	8
Spice cabinets, 98c, now	78
Ironing boards, 98c, now	75
Clothes racks, 85c, now	65
Clothes racks, 98c, now	75
5-foot step ladder, now	50
Bread boards, worth 45c now	30
Japanned bread boxes, 50c, now 40c; 65c, now 55c; 85c, now 75c.	
Tea kettles, from 20c up.	
Clothes hampers, 98c, now	85

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South Side of Old Square Decatur

RAILWAY EXCURSIONS.

I. C. R. R. EXCURSION SOUTH.—The I. C. R. R. will run an excursion train for Jackson, Tenn., Jackson and McComb City, Miss., Roseland, Hammond and New Orleans, La., leaving Decatur Tuesday, December 15th, at 5:35 p. m., arriving at New Orleans Wednesday, December 16th, at 7:30 p. m., making connection there for all Gulf Coast and Florida points. Mr. W. E. Lawrence, travelling passenger agent of this company, will accompany those going on that train and will personally look after their accommodation. For further information call on C. O. JUDSON, Union Depot; or T. PENIWELL, City Office. dec3-dtd

$5.00 EXCURSION TO CINCINNATI.—The I., D. & W. Ry. will sell excursion tickets Decatur to Cincinnati and return at rate of $5.00 for the round trip. Tickets good on train No. 4 December 9th, and all regular trains Dec. 10th. Good for return on all regular trains up to and including train leaving Cincinnati at 7:15 p. m. December 13. C. G. DORWIN, Gen'l Ag't I., D. & W. Ry. dec4-dtd

BARGAIN COLUMN

[Notices in this column, of five lines or less, will be inserted one week for 25 cents, payable in advance.]

For Sale, For Rent, Wanted, Etc.

FOUND—A horse blanket which the owner can recover by calling at 441 North Church street, prove property and pay for this notice. 4d6

WANTED—A furnished room for gentleman at some point convenient to Lincoln Square. Address "R. C. R." REPUBLICAN office. 2 d6*

FOR SALE CHEAP and on easy terms, a house of six rooms, within two and a half blocks of Shellabarger's mill. Apply to No. 221 North Water street. B. McGORRAY. 4od6*

$20 REWARD—Stolen or strayed, from the premises of John Hornback, near Mt. Zion, one bay mare 5 years old; black mane and tail and black feet; tail large, mane small; about 15½ hands high; weight about 1,050 pounds; trim built. One bay mare, same age; slim build; full black mane and tail; scar of kick on one hip; one white hind foot. $20 reward for returning same to me. JOHN HORNBACK.

Mt. Zion, Ill., Nov. 30, 1891. n30dtf

WANTED—Immediately, two good lady stenographers, accustomed to the Caligraph. Good wages and steady employment. Address (with full name) P. O. Box 14. n30d6*

FOR RENT—Residence at 362 East Eldorado street. Heated by furnace. Apply to W. J. QUINLAN. 30d6

FARM FOR SALE—Within 30 days, a well improved farm of 320 acres, good house and barn and out-houses, in Whitmore township, three miles southwest of Oreana and within two miles of the graveled road. Address S. E. Gardner, box 252, Decatur, Ill., or apply on premises. nov25d&w1m*

DANCING—Prof. Leonard, member of the National Association of Teachers, would once more impress upon the minds of all those who wish to perfect themselves in dancing that if a thing is worth learning at all it is worth learning properly. He has taught dancing for the last forty years and after teaching in Boston and New York City and having a diploma from the National Association of Teachers of Dancing of the United States and Canada, he flatters himself that he knows something about teaching. Some of the best dancers here in Decatur were former pupils of his. He is located in Red Men's Hall, opposite Syndicate Block, on North Main street. Hours from 2:30 to 5.00 p m. New beginners classes every Monday evening. n24dtf

BARGAINS IN REAL ESTATE—

200 acres prairie farm, highly improved, five miles from city—$15,000.

320 acres fine Nebraska land—$12.50 per acre.

800 acre farm, finest in Eastern Nebraska; rents for $2,400 cash.

400 acres, highly improved, in Douglas county, Ill.—$60 per acre.

40 acres two miles from Decatur. Also a large list of town lands.

A fine modern nine-room house; barn, city water, mantels, etc., and other property in all parts of the city and county.

JOHN A. BROWN, Over Linn & Scruggs.

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FOR SALE OR TRADE—A controlling interest in the Post Office Shoe Store. Reason, want to change my business. A. W. Waggoner. oct29-dtf

CHICAGO SECOND HAND STORE — All kinds of gas stoves at half price. All kinds of Cook stoves at bargains. Parlor stoves from $3 up; chairs 25c; beds, wardrobes, lounges, parlor sets, bedroom suits. All goods at rock bottom prices, and everything bound to sell. LUDWIG SCHEURMANN, Manager. East Main St. opposite Bachman Bros. s24tf

FOR SALE OR TRADE—The property at 339 East Washington street, less than two blocks from the new court house. Lot frontage 80 feet. Apply at the REPUBLICAN office.

MONEY TO LOAN—In large or small amounts. Loans made on live stock, farm machinery, of household goods. Call and see me before placing your loans. Office 29 North Water St., above [illegible], Burrows & Co's bank. jan19-dtf J. W. REDMAN

LADIES HAIR WORK—In every style worn, and ventilated curls, frizzes, bangs and wigs made to order. Hair cutting for ladies and children a specialty. MRS. BOWMAN, Merchant street, over Stine's clothing store. f23-dtf

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MRS. ANNA WARD, fashionable ladies' hair worker in all the styles that are worn. Ladies' hair dressing in all styles. Shampooing and cleaning ladies' hair and manicure work a specialty. 113 North Main St., Decatur, Ill. aug21-dtf

HOUSE CLEANING — Headquarters for House cleaning, Wall Paper cleaning, and Upholstery of all kinds at 223 West Main street. W. Montgomery. Satisfaction guaranteed. july29-dtf

HUNDREDS of bushels of ear corn at the Northwestern Feed Mill. Oats and all kinds of ground feed at lowest prices. 752 North College street. july23-dtf

WANTED—500 houses to paper and carpet before Christmas. Call at ABEL'S CARPET HOUSE and get prices. Sept21-dtf

WANTED—Second-hand stoves and furniture, for which we will pay cash. Bargain in second-hand goods. WALKER & CHANCE, 135 and 157 North Main St. aug23-dtf

WANTED—An active reliable man, salary $70 to $80 monthly, with increase, to represent in his own section a responsible New York house. References. MANUFACTURER, Lock Box 1585, New York. dec12

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Special Tax Notice.

Public notice is hereby given that the county court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, has rendered judgment for special taxes upon the property benefited by the following local improvement: The construction and laying of a sewer in the city of Decatur, in Macon county, in the state of Illinois, commencing at and connecting with a slant joint opening on the west side of Broadway Street Sewer, in the center of East Marietta street, which said sewer is to be constructed from its said beginning point, westward on the central line of said East Marietta street to a point on the central line of the alley running north and south between North Main street and North Water street, and which said sewer is to be constructed from said last named point northward, on the central line of said alley to the north side of East Packard street, together with all connections, Y junctions, catch basins, man holes, openings and adjuncts pertaining thereto, as will more fully appear from the certified copy of the judgment on file in my office, that a warrant for the collection of such special taxes is in the hands of the undersigned. All persons interested are hereby notified to call and pay the amounts specially taxed at the collectors' office, No. 217 North Main street, in said city, being the city clerk's office, within thirty days from the date hereof.

Dated this 12th day of November, A. D. 1891.

L. F. SKELLEY, City Clerk.

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RAILROAD TIME TABLES

In effect Oct. 18, 1891.

WABASH.

FROM ST. LOUIS.	TO ST. LOUIS.
No. 10 Pass... 8:45 p m	No. 9 Pass....6:30 a m
No. 4 Pass....11:00 a m	No. 3 Pass....3:45 a m
No. 44 Pass...11:10 a m	No. 48 Pass....4:06 a m
No. 42 Pass...10:15 p m	No. 46 Pass....2:06 p m
No. 2 Pass....11:55 p m	No. 5 Pass....2:56 p m
No. 70 Freight 6:50 p m	No. 71 Freight 6:00 a m
FROM QUINCY AND KANSAS CITY.	TO QUINCY AND KANSAS CITY.
No. 42 Pass....10:10 p m	No. 43 Pass... 4:30 a m
No. 44 Pass....10:50 a m	No. 45 Pass... 2:10 p m
No. 6 Pass... 6:15 a m	No. 1 Pass... 9:07 p m
No. 48 Acc.... 7:05 p m	No. 47 Acc.... 6:45 a m
No. 70, Freight11:65 a m	No. 71, Freight12.45 p m
FROM TOLEDO & DETROIT.	TO TOLEDO & DETROIT.
No. 43 Pass .. 3:50 a m	No. 43 Pass... 6:25 a m
No. 45 Pass... 2:30 p m	No. 44 Pass...11:15 a m
No. 41 Pass... 9:00 p m	No. 42 Pass ..10:22 p m
No. 47 Pass from Bement10.55 a m	No. 48 Pass to Bement.. 3:15 p m
FROM CHICAGO.	TO CHICAGO.
No. 3 Pass.... 3:35 a m	No. 2 Pass.... 12:45 a m
No. 5 Pass, except Sunday.2 50 p m	No. 4 Pass, except Sunday11:25 a m
No. 9 Pass .... 6:10 a m	No. 8 Pass.... 6:25 a m

ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
No. 2 Pass.... 9:10 a m	No. 1 Pass.. 6:35 p m
No. 44 Pass... 1:53 a m	No. 41 Pass... 2:52 a m
No. 4 Pass.... 9:20 p m	No. 3 Pass.. 10:20 a m
No. 12 Accom. 2:40 p m	No. 11 Freight 7:40 a m
No. 10, Freight 5:30 p m	No. 8, Champaign Line, arrives, 10:00 a m
No. 4, Champaign Line, leaves, 3:15 p m	

INDIANAPOLIS, DECATUR & WESTERN.

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass... 2:35 p m	No. 2 Pass....11:15 a m
No. 3 Pass... 3:55 a m	No. 4 Pass.. 10:20 p m

PEORIA, DECATUR & EVANSVILLE.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
No. 2 Pass.. 3:10 p m	No. 1 Pass...11:00 a m
No. 4 Pass .. 8:55 a m	No. 3 Pass...10:15 p m
No. 14 Freight10:45 a m	No. 11 Freight 3:05 p m

TERRE HAUTE & PEORIA.

EAST	WEST
No. 2 Pass.....2:55 p m	No. 1 Pass....11:45 a m
No. 4 Pass.....7:00 a m	No. 3 Pass.... 7:00 p m
No. 6 Pass.....9:00 p m	No. 5 Pass.... 6:30 a m

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DAILY REPUBLICAN.

SATURDAY EVE, DEC 5, 1891.

THE Grand Army Post at Macon will be inspected Monday evening, Dec 14th, by Comrade R J Roberts

HENRY HEMPSTID, of Macon, who recently died at Texarkana, Ark, passed away by taking an overdose of morphine by accident

Coming Next Week

An extra fine line of attractions are to appear at the Grand next week

Wednesday evening Dec 9th, Mr. Daniel Frohman's excellent company from the Lyceum theatre New York, in the 'Charity Ball' Any praise by us of this company is superfluous Everybody here knows that the company and play is first class

Thursday evening Dec 10th, Mr John C Rice and company of comedians in the successful farce comedy 'A Knotty Affair'

Friday evening Dec 11th, the famous Magician Prof A Herrmann

A Drummer Squelched

It was in the old days when traveling by stage coach was more common than it is at present that the then archbishop of Paris Monseigneur Affre voyaging to a nearby parish took place in a diligence with a number of gentlemen of different social stations Among the group was a young drummer for a business house who like his successors of a later era was ever on the lookout for a good story in his own mind and practical joke The clerical standing of the archbishop did not exempt him even from attempt at banter or witticism, but with the consideration he thought due to the company present he passed the youngster's efforts over with merely an indulgent smile Waxing bolder by this apparent immunity the young traveler at last went beyond all bounds of proper respect

"Can you tell me your grace" he asked sprightly "the difference between the archbishop and an ass"

The reverend gentleman with his customary courtly manner and without the least appearance of offense or resentment replied that he could not

"Because" replied this clown in his own little circle "the one bears a cross on his breast and the other on his back"

The sally such as it was, was met by the most frigid silence by all the passengers save the archbishop who smilingly inquired

"Now in my turn I'd like you to tell us the difference between a commercial traveler and an ass"

As though it were a mystery as deep as the Sphinx the young wit pondered for some time and then gave it up

"I do not know" he confessed

"Neither do I" replied the archbishop "there isn't any"

The smart drummer got off at the next changing of horses —Washington Star

The Conversation Circle

The circle must not be too large I say nothing of public banquets strangers They are a contradiction in terms Big dinner parties of ill assorted guests also are failures from a conversationist point of view A fireside or a table round if possible and say four or half a dozen guests are sufficient More will break up into separate knots and fewer mean tete a tete "I had" says Thoreau "at Walden three chairs in my house, one for solitude two for friendship three for society" The hermit Thoreau in his hut at Walden was wiser than the man who looks for society in a crush

An unhappy husband living in Portland place whose wife inflicted huge parties upon him was standing in a very forlorn condition leaning against the chimney piece A gentleman came up to him and said "Sir as neither of us is acquainted with any of the people here, I think we had best go home" Social crowds must not expect the great men among them to talk well She must have been a most unreasonable person who was disappointed with Napoleon because when a lot of ladies were presented to him he only remarked to each of them how hot it was —Gentleman's Magazine

Poison by Absorption

The slow absorption of many poisons changes in some more or less modified form the complexion but arsenic and ammonia show their effect about as quickly as any The popular belief that arsenic clears the complexion has led many silly women to kill themselves with it in small continued doses

It produces a waxy ivorylike appearance of the skin during a certain stage of the poisoning but its terrible after effects have become too well known to make it of common use as a cosmetic

The effects of ammonia upon the complexion are directly opposite from that of arsenic The first symptoms of ammonia poisoning which appears among those who work in ammonia factories is a discoloration of the skin of the nose and forehead This gradually extends over the face until the complexion has a stained blotched and unsightly appearance With people who take ammonia into their systems in smaller doses, as with their water and food these striking symptoms do not appear so soon The only effect of the poison that is visible for a time is a general unwholesomeness and sallowness of the complexion —St Paul Globe

The Notices Are All Right

Visitors to the clerk's office of the superior court who have occasion to use the writing table that stretches across the room have been startled recently by large placards tacked about two feet apart informing whom it may concern that "these inkstands must not be taken away" Since "these inkstands" are about the size of the average hat, and are kept filled with ink, the warning seems quite as gratuitous as it would be to placard notices to people not to walk off with a red hot stove

A lawyer who took offense at these notices got one of the office veterans in a corner the other day and asked him if he did not think such a notice was carrying a joke perilously far The veteran shook his head, and in saddened tones thus answered

"In the mistakes of the past we should seek our guidance for the future" —New York Times

Somewhat Trying Nevertheless

Do not suppose that a young woman is necessarily in an unamiable frame of mind when you meet her bearing a muddy overshoe in hand The relief that she experienced when she gave up trying to keep the thing on more than balanced her vexation at spoiling a glove and boot but oh! the things that women think and don't say when at every step a misfit overshoe drops down at the heel would make a volume for the government to suppress —Boston Commonwealth

The Service Is Civil.

Bunting—In Japan the servants invariably treat their employers with deferential consideration

Larkin—Japan has a civil service law, I suppose.—Munsey's Weekly.

FOUR AMERICAN SONGS.

TWO WERE WRITTEN IN BATTLE AND TWO DURING PEACE

One of Them Averted a War—The Sources of Inspiration of the Four Writers—Strange Fact About the Music of "America"—How Key Composed His Lyric.

The four great lyrics of our country are "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," "Hail Columbia," "The Star Spangled Banner" and "America"

The first named was written by Timothy Dwight, ancestor of Timothy Dwight, the present president of Yale college He wrote other patriotic anthems, but "Columbia" is the only one by which he became famous Dwight was a native of Massachusetts and a graduate of Yale

He studied law, intending to adopt it as a profession, but there being a dearth of chaplains in the Revolutionary army he became one in Parson's brigade of the Connecticut line and served some time there It was during this service that he composed the immortal song "Columbia," which at once attracted general attention, and from the first became famous

It was composed without much thought the times being full of patriotic feelings, which inspired the poet, and he is said to have expected no more than passing fame for his production It was caught up, however, by the patriots and soon became known throughout the struggling colonies After the war Dwight went back to the pursuits interrupted by his entering the army, and eventually became president of Yale college, a position which he held until his death in 1817

The author of "Columbia" was a voluminous writer, turning out many extended poems and books but all seem to have been forgotten but the great lyric which he gave to his country during the struggle for freedom It will ever remain his monument

A SONG THAT TOLD

The words and music of "Hail Columbia" were composed under the American flag Its author Joseph Hopkinson was a native of Philadelphia and the son of a signer of the Declaration of Independence Like the composer of "Columbia," he was the author of many other things in prose and verse but nothing has come down to our day with any fame but his national song

"Hail Columbia" was written in the summer of 1798 when we were having complications with France which threatened to end in war Hopkinson had an actor friend named Fox who was to have a benefit at a theater and it was for him that the song was composed

The music which accompanied the song and to which it is sung today, was then called the "President's March" It was written ten years before, on the occasion of Washington's visit to New York by a German orchestra leader named Fyles "Hail Columbia" sprang into sudden popularity, and it is said to have averted the threatened war, as it incited national pride and roused the whole country

Joseph Hopkinson lived until 1842, filling various important offices and loved by all for the great song he had given to his nation He helped to revise the constitution of Pennsylvania was a warm friend of Joseph Bonaparte's during the ex king's sojourn in this country and at the time of his death was holding the office of United States judge for the eastern district of his native state

INSPIRED BY BATTLE SMOKE

Of the many national song writers none have enjoyed more enduring fame than the author of "The Star Spangled Banner" It is perhaps the greatest and most popular of all our songs and lyrics It was composed amid the roar of cannon and the bursting of bombs and seems to have sprung without effort from the mind of its author

Francis Scott Key the author, was a prisoner in the hands of the British when the song was composed He had gone down the bay at Baltimore then being attacked by the British fleet for the purpose of securing the release of a friend who was held by the enemy He carried a message from President Madison asking for the prisoner's release The British commander agreed to the request but told Key that he must be detained during the attack Key and his friends were therefore held back and it was while they watched the terrific bombardment of Fort McHenry, now and then losing sight of the flag that waved over its ramparts that he wrote "The Star Spangled Banner" This took place in 1814

When he was released Key took his poem back to the city where it was speedily printed to the music of an old English song, "Anacreon in Heaven," and in a short time was being sung all over the country

Dr Smith's beautiful ode "America" was also adapted to an English air, that of "God Save the Queen" Strange to relate, this same melody answers for the national song of the German empire Great Britain and Ireland, Bavaria, Switzerland, Brunswick, Hanover, Norway, Prussia Saxony, and does service in the United States as "My Country 'Tis of Thee"

"America" has no stirring history surrounding its composition It was composed in 1832 and was first sung at a children's celebration at the Park Street church, Boston on the Fourth of July the same year Samuel Francis Smith its author is still living He is a native of Massachusetts, where he was born in 1808 His famous missionary hymn "The Morning Light Is Breaking" was written at the same time and place as "America" Dr Smith has filled many important stations in the church, and has written voluminously his contributions embracing nearly every branch of good literature —New York Telegram

He Has None of the Symptoms.

Maud—Does Jack play football much?

Agnes—I don't know Why?

Maud—I never see him walk lame —Epoch

More Victorias

We have just received another consignment of these "Victoria" carpet sweepers They are the best in the world. They do not touch the carpet and for that reason do not wear the nap off of even the finest Moquet or Axminster LITTLE & ECKELS HARDWARE Co
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THE wage-earners of Great Britain are about 13,000,000 in number

THIRTY FOUR pounds of raw sugar make twenty-one pounds of refined

THERE are 300 000 blind people in Europe

A Mystery Explained

The papers contain frequent notices of rich, pretty, and educated girls eloping with negroes, tramps and coachmen The well-known specialist, Dr Franklin Miles says all such girls are more or less hysterical, nervous, very impulsive, unbalanced, usually subject to headache, neuralgia, sleeplessness, immoderate crying or laughing. These show a weak nervous system for which there is no remedy equal to Restorative Nervine Trial bottles and a fine book containing many marvelous cures free at W. C. Armstrong, who also sell and guarantee Dr Miles' celebrated New Heart Cure, the finest of heart tonics. Cures fluttering, short breath, etc, d&w

GEMS IN VERSE.

Waiting.

Serene I fold my hands and wait
Nor care I for wind nor tide nor sea,
I rave no more 'gainst time or fate,
For lo! my own shall come to me

I stay my haste I make delays,
For what avails this eager pace?
I stand amid the eternal ways,
And what is mine shall know my face.

Asleep, awake by night or day,
The friends I seek are seeking me,
No wind can drive my bark astray,
Nor change the tide of destiny

What matter if I stand alone?
I wait with joy the coming years,
My heart shall reap where it has sown,
And garner up its fruit of tears

The waters know their own and draw
The brook that springs in yonder heights,
So flows the good with equal law
Unto the soul of pure delights
—John Burroughs

A Woman's Answer to a Man's Question

Do you know you have asked for the costliest thing
Ever made by the Hand above—
A woman's heart and a woman's life,
And a woman's wonderful love?

Do you know you have asked for this priceless thing
As a child might ask for a toy?
Demanding what others have died to win
With the reckless dash of a boy

You have written my lesson of duty out,
Manlike you have questioned me
Now stand at the bar of my woman's soul
Until I shall question thee

You require your mutton shall always be hot,
Your socks and your shirts shall be whole
I require your heart shall be true as God's stars
And pure as heaven your soul

You require a cook for your mutton and beef,
I require far grander a thing
A seamstress you're wanting for stockings and shirts—
I look for a man and a king

A king for a beautiful realm called home
And a man that the maker God
Shall look upon as he did the first,
And say, "It is very good"

I am fair and young but the rose will fade
From my soft young cheek one day
Will you love me then mid the falling leaves
As you did mid the bloom of May?

Is your heart an ocean so strong and deep
I may launch my all on its tide?
A loving woman finds heaven or hell
On the day she is made a bride

I require all things that are grand and true,
All things that a man should be
If you give this all I would stake my life
To be all you demand of me

If you cannot do this a laundress and cook
You can hire with little to pay
But a woman's heart and a woman's life
Are not to be won that way
—Mary T Lathrop

Worthiness

Whatever lacks purpose is evil—a pool without pebbles breeds slime
Not any one step hath chance fashioned on the infinite stairway of Time
Nor ever came good without labor in toil or in Science or Art
It must be wrought out thro' the muscles—born out of the soul and the heart

Why plow in the stubble with plowshares? why winnow the chaff from the grain?
Ah, since all of His gifts must be toiled for since Truth is not born without Pain!
He gives not to the unworthy, the weak or the foolish in deeds
Who soweth but chaff at the seed time shall reap but a harvest of weeds

As the pyramid builded of vapor is blown by his whirlwinds to naught
So the Song without Truth is forgotten His poem to Man is man's thought
Whatever is strong with a purpose in humbleness wrought and soul pure
Is known to the Master of Singers—He toucheth it saying "Endure!"
—Charles J O'Malley

The Sin of Omission

It isn't the thing you do dear
It's the thing you've left undone
Which gives you a bit of heartache
At the setting of the sun
The tender word forgotten
The letter you did not write
The flower you might have sent dear,
Are your haunting ghosts tonight

The stone you might have lifted
Out of a brother's way
The bit of heartsome counsel
You were hurried too much to say
The loving touch of the hand dear
The gentle and winsome tone
That you had no time nor thought for,
With troubles enough of your own

The little acts of kindness
So easily out of mind
These chances to be angels
Which every mortal finds—
They come in night and silence—
Each chill reproachful wraith—
When hope is faint and flagging
And a blight has dropped on faith

For life is all too short dear
And sorrow is all too great
To suffer our slow compassion
That tarries until too late
And it's not the thing you do dear
It's the thing you leave undone
Which gives you the bit of heartache
At the setting of the sun.
—Margaret E Sangster.

Life

"A letter," he gayly said
And he handed it to his wife
It told her that lying dead
Was a friend of her early life

A ring at the entry door
Calls for an explanation
He returns to his wife once more
With a wedding invitation

A call at the telephone
And a voice says "Give me joy,"
And continues in blissful tone
My Mary has got a boy

EPILOGUE

And so life scampers past
I wonder for which 'tis worst,
The one that marries—or breathes its last,
Or the one that breathes its first.
—Albert Bigelow Paine

From Darkness to Light

What's this
From the dull dark sky an hour ago?
The perfect snow!

What's this
From the dull dark stem and bud that grows?
The sweet red rose!

What's this
From an ill dark pain that comes to bless?
A pleasure Yes!
—Wide Awake

The Family Line

Depend upon it my snobbish friend,
Your family thread you can't ascend
Without good reason to apprehend
You'll find it waxed at the farther end
By some plebeian vocation
Or worse than that your boasted line
May end in a loop of stronger twine
That plagued some worthy relation!
—J G Saxe.

Art Endures

All passes Art alone
Enduring stays to us
The Bust outlasts the throne—
The Coin Tiberius
—Austin Dobson

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LUCAS COUNTY. }

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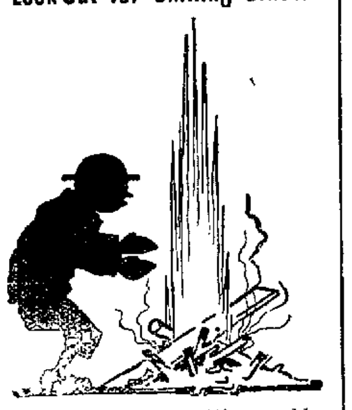

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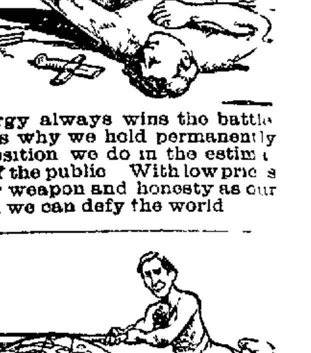

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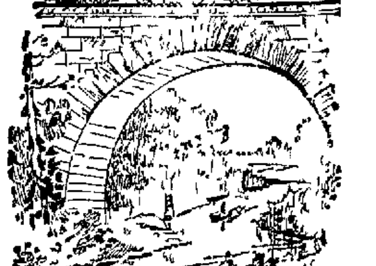

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We know that we can and always will sell for just as little money as you can buy them for anywhere.

OUR STOCK
—OF—
Leather Goods

In all lines is the largest and most complete that we have ever had. We never before showed so many different styles in Ladies' and Gents Fine Shoes as we now show. We never before had so large a stock of the various styles which we carry. Consequently we are better than ever prepared to serve the shoe-buying public. We occupy the basement and first and floors of the building at 148 East Main street and there is no room for empty boxes.

We have everything to sell and we are not going to keep these goods in the house. We give you this as a pointer. If you want to know what lengths we will go in order to effect a sale of these goods come and see what inducements we will offer.

We are here to sell. We have the goods to sell. We
We make the prices to sell. Come. Investigate. Buy.

FERRISS & LAPHAM
148 East Main Street, Decatur.

WATER-SOAKED! ❊

What Is Our Loss is Your Gain.

Our store was flooded by the bursting of water pipes overhead and soaked $2,000 worth of Choice Clothing, which we will dispose of AT YOUR OWN PRICES. The goods are perfect excepting the water. Come and get your choice at your own price.

BRYAN, JONES & CO.
4 Doors West of Post Office.

THE CITY BOOK STORE

Wishes to cultivate a taste for High Art Books, and therefore offers the following at the Special Holiday rates given below. Remember these are LARGE BOOKS, some of them elegantly illustrated with etchings and tinted plates.

Representative Etchings, by Best American Artists,	$ 7.50
American Art,	8.25
Etching Illustrated, an elegant book by Kohler,	11.25
European Etching, 22 Original Etchings, by eminent authors,	11.25
Courtship of Miles Standish,	7.50
Shaksperean Scenes and Characters, Morocco binding,	6.00
Thackeray's Mahogany Tree,	4.00
Tennyson's Fairy Lilian,	4.50
Mother Songs,	5.65
New England Artists,	7.50

J. H. BEVANS,
122 Merchant St., Decatur, Ill.

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PICKLED TRIPE
—AND—
Pickled Pig's Feet.
VERY CHOICE and READY FOR THE TABLE.

Imboden Bros.

DAILY REPUBLICAN.

—OUR—
Syrup of Tar
—AND—
Wild Cherry
IS A *SURE CURE* FOR
COUGHS AND COLDS.
Try It.

❊ KING & WOOD.

SATURDAY EVE., DEC. 5, 1891.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

DENZ & SON, tailors.

TEETH, $8—Hoskins & Moore, dentists

WEDDINGS will be thick Christmas week.

THE best and cheapest air rifles, 99c Store. d2dtf

TRY Harry Miller's buttercups—none better. dec2-d1m

BUY the popular White Loaf flour, sale by Shellabarger.

CALL for the Michl cigars. The Little Rose and the Benquets.

NEW YORK COUNTS, man's size, at Singleton's.

HOT egg phosphate at Ralph Templeton's. Try it. 27-d1w

TAKE dinner or lunch at Combs' restaurant. Oysters in all styles.

EVERYBODY says Miller's candies are the best and purest. dec2-d1m

HOT chocolate, rich, elegant, only 5c a cup, at Ralph Templeton's. 27-d1w

TURKEY, poultry, fish and oysters at Cool Bros' grocery store, 217 North Main street.

OYSTERS by the can and in bulk at May & Churchman's grocery store.

HANDSOMEST line of Toilet cases ever shown in Decatur at Irwin's Pharmacy.

BOYS' BOOKS, all the favorite authors, at the Postoffice Book Store.
5-d&w1w SAXTON & ANDREWS.

GROCERIES to suit you at Hanks & Co.'s store, 143 South Water street. Prompt delivery to any part of the city.

TELEPHONE to 89, 109 or 227 for Decatur nut coal, at $1.30 per ton, delivered.

THE cheapest and best assortment of Combs and Brushes at Irwin's Pharmacy

STEP in at C. B. Prescott's music store. There you will find the celebrated Haines Upright pianos, the Packard organs, and musical merchandise generally.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS, a splendid display and low prices, at the Postoffice Book Store. SAXTON & ANDREWS.
5-d&w1w

500 WHIPS, from 10c to 74c; worth three times the money at the 99c Store. 2dtf

OYSTERS in all styles every day at Combs's restaurant. Try the stews and fries.

MRS. COL. D. J. BLOCK, who has many personal friends in Decatur, recently injured herself severely at the Palace Hotel Springfield. She is confined to her bed.

IF you can't find what you want for a holiday present, go to the 99c Store.
2dtf

HOT bouillon at Ralph Templeton's, made from Cudahy's extract of beef. It is very nourishing and refreshing. 27-d6

JESSE FELL lodge, K. of P., of Bloomington, is preparing for a magnificent public installation of officers and banquet to be held next Monday evening.

100,000 Standard loaded shells, with Hazard special trap powder, at $1.60 to $2.00 per 100, at H. Mueller & Sons'.

FINE ART BOOKS, the most elegant line ever brought to this city, at the Postoffice Book Store. SAXTON & ANDREWS.
5-d&w1w

FORTY styles of Cuff and Collar boxes, at reduced prices at Irwin's Pharmacy.

THE display advertisement of the City Book Store has some items of special interest to you. Read it.
dec5d&w1w J. H. BEVANS.

YESTERDAY W. W. Scudder went before Justice Hammer and swore out two state warrants for the arrest of Oscar Chappell his neighbor. The complaint declared that the accused had assaulted him and also made threats to do him bodily harm.

"AT last, I can eat a good square meal without its distressing me!" was the grateful exclamation of one whose appetite had been restored by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, after years of dyspeptic misery. A teaspoonful of this extract before each meal sharpens the appetite.

JOHNNIE, get your air gun of H. Mueller & Sons. They have the finest line in the city. nov24-d&w1m

HENRY J. KLEFKER, the sick man who was spirited away from his home at Quincy the forepart of the week, has been located at a point in Missouri not far from Hannibal. It is believed the woman he was intimate with and who it is thought stole him away was assisted by a confederate, as Klefker was too weak to walk.

I have used Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup personally and in my family for 2 or 3 years, and can say that there is nothing to compare to it as a remedy for coughs, colds, etc. Jas. Borrie, Baltimore Md.

"What makes that joy, that merriment?"
Rheumatic pains, neuralgic gout.
Salvation Oil has put to rout—
Salvation Oil, for healing sent,
Salvation Oil, the liniment,

"DIXIE in costume and song" at the Grand Opera House Dec, 18th. By a chorus of fifty of Decatur's best colored singers will certainly eclipse anything ever given by the colored people of this city in the way of entertainment.

The plantation costumes, melodies, scenes and Dialect by such a large company of our own citizens will not fail to draw a large audience at the Grand.

DEPOSIT your money where you can withdraw it with six per cent. interest after 6 months, 7 per cent. after one year and 8 per cent. after two years. You deposit 75c. per month for 78 months and receive $100. Net Profit, $41.50. Advantage to charter members: They receive the shares of the first series issued. Charter for a new building and loan association will be closed at a meeting held at the office of Geo. P. Blume, 249 North Water St., Thursday evening, Dec. 10th.
Dec. 5—d4t

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

VERDICT OF THE JURY.

Inquest on the Body of Harry Moore Killed in the Wabash Yards.

Last night at 8:35 Harry Moore, member of Wabash switch crew, engine No. 56, Andrew Lowenstein foreman, met his death in the west end yard while in the performance of his duties. The engine had brought a string of cars from the east end to the west end and were separating them. Harry Moore stepped into the train to cut off four cars, and that was the last seen of him until he was found lying beside the track, one arm over the rail, and his limbs and body mangled in a shocking manner. He was alive when found, but he was unable to speak and died in a few minutes.

The body was removed by Coroner Bendure to the Bullard undertaking rooms, where the inquest was held this forenoon. The witnesses were Andy Lowenstein, foreman of switch crew; William Morrisey, engineer; Walter Pinson, fireman, and Frank Keenan, switchman. None witnessed the accident. They knew the cars were in motion and that Moore was at work. They found him in the manner described. The jurymen were Harry K Midkiff, Thomas Peniwell, J. H. Manzy, B. N. Adams, J. M. Songer and J. J. H. Young. The verdict was that Harry Moore came to his death on the evening of Friday, Dec. 4, 1891, in the west end yards of the Wabash Railroad Co., in Decatur, Ill., while in the performance of his duties as a member of switch crew, engine 56, by being accidentally run over by one or more cars when he was attempting to make a coupling.

The deceased was aged about 24 years, and had but lately entered the employ of the Wabash at this point. Three weeks ago he was married at East St. Louis. His young widow is nearly prostrated by grief. The couple had been boarding on East Eldorado Street.

The parents of the deceased reside at Pittsburg, Pa., to which point the remains will be taken for burial. A telegram was received to-day stating that the parents were on their way to Decatur. They will arrive this afternoon or to-night.

After the inquest the switchmen drew up a paper and obtained signatures to make up a fund to send two switchmen to accompany the body of Moore to Pittsburg. Deceased was a member of the switchmen's Association." He was popular with his associates and was an excellent switchman.

Death of John R. Wonacott.

Last evening, after an illness of only two weeks John R. Wonacott, one of the old and substantial citizens of Mt. Zion, died of softening of the brain, aged 45 years. He leaves a widow and two children, Mrs. Thomas Draper, of Mt. Zion, and a son, Charles Wonacott, aged 14 years. The deceased had patented a flood gate and had formed a stock company for the manufacture and sale of the invention. The funeral took place this afternoon from the Cumberland Presbyterian church, Rev. Hughey officiating. Mr. Wonacott was a member of the 150th Illinois Infantry, and was a member of Tom White Post No. 529, at Mt. Zion. The burial was with military honors with the Grand Army Post in charge.

Capital City Schools.

The average attendance at the night session of the Springfield public schools for November was 47, and there are 66 pupils in the manual training school. An electric motor has been purchased to run the machinery. There were enrolled Dec. 1, in all the schools, 3,520, an average daily attendance of 3 211. The schools will be dismissed at noon Dec. 24 and will re-open Jan. 4.

Caught at Toledo.

G. P. Haskell is in jail at Toledo Ohio, charged with forgery. Haskell is well known here. He was formerly in the employ of J. H. Culver the marble dealer. He was crooked here, forging Culver's name to a bank check for $25 and collecting $120 which he did not report. He also left a number of unpaid bills at various stores, and got away without settleing his board bill. Haskell has a wife.

Invitations.

Cards have been issued reading as follows: The pleasure of your company is requested at the Reception given by the members of the Young Men's Christain Association of Decatur, to their gentlemen friends, Tuesday evening December 8, from 8 until 10 o'clock, at the Association rooms, corner of Merchant and Main streets.

$6.00.

We have always given a benefit to the public on *Dinner Sets*, and we intend to keep it up. We have a limited number of English Decorated Dinner Sets of 100 pieces we will sell at the above prize.
E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.

Officers Elected.

At the regular meeting last night, Macon Lodge, No. 8, A. F. and A. M., elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: M. C. Herman, W. M.; Eli F. Dawson, S. W.; W. R. Buckmaster, J. W.; George Bright, Treas.; W. L. Hammer, Sec.; Robert Green, Tyler.

Allowed $48.00

The damage on the H. A. Wallace stock of millinery by the incipient fire, did not stack up very high. The loss has been adjusted by the National company representative, who fixed the damage at $48.00.

Good Evening.

Do you wear a shirt? Go to Irwin's, 142 Opera House Block, for the *best* staple or full dress shirt, or have your shirts made to measure. Our shirt order department is a success. Give us a trial order. We will certainly give you satisfaction. nov 28-d1w.

SECRET SOCIETY MEETINGS.

MASONIC.

Special meeting of Macon Lodge, No 8, A. F. & A. M., this (Saturday) evening at 7 o'clock, for work in the Second degree
I A BUCKINGHAM, W. M.
WM. L. HAMMER, Sec'y.

Now you know that Ferriss & Lapham always sold your shoes cheap. But all past prices are not in it compared with the low prices which they are now quoting. They must turn their present wholesale stock into cash before January 1 and they have to sell the bulk of it at retail in Decatur. Better go there and buy now. Nothing like getting a pair of shoes at half price when you can. Ferriss & Lapham, 148 East Main street. tf.

TOILET cases, jewel cases, handkerchiefs, glove and collar boxes, manicure sets, white silver perfume bottles, card receivers, decorated placques, bronze statuettes, and very many charming bits of decorated and art goods, at the City Book Store. J. H. Bevans. n30d&w1w

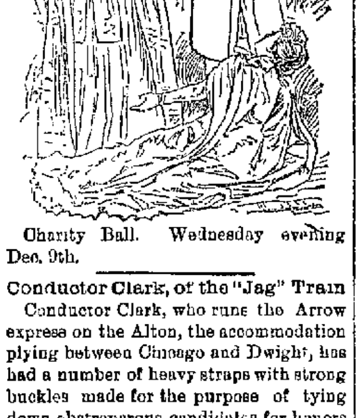
THE temperature of man is 98½ degrees, that of fish 77 degrees.

An Afternoon Whist Party.

An enjoyable afternoon drive whist party was given yesterday by Mrs. W. B. Chambers in honor of Mrs. Lorenzo Leland, and Mrs. William Nash, of Ottawa, Ill. The game was on from 2:30 until 5 o'clock and six tables were used for the game. The first prize, a beautiful china dish, was won by Mrs. Leiah Race Thomas of Minneapolis, the second by Mrs. Leland. It was a beautiful edition of "Drummond's Addresses." The booby prize, "Happy Thoughts for Idle Hours," was won by Mrs. Frank Roach. Following the game a delicious supper was served. This is the menu: First course, deviled crabs, bread and pickles. Second, chicken patties, coffee, escalloped oysters. Third, sweet bread, salad, bread and butter. Fourth, tutti frutti ice cream, cake, and coffee. Those present were: Mesdames E. D. Bartholomew, W. R. Abbott, D. A. Barrackman, D. A. Maffit, Theron Powers, C. A. Ewing, G. D. Thomas, Frank Roach, Frank Young, R. S. Bohon, Otto E Curtis, G. C. Kinsman, Albert Barnes, Lewis Race, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Sedgwick, and the Misses Ida Jones, Maude and Belle Burrows, Alice Tuttle, Jeannette Rogers and Mrs. W. B. Chambers.

Coon Hunting at Elkhart.

A story has come out from the environment of Elkhart, Ill., to the effect that City Comptroller May and wife, of Chicago, spent Thanksgiving with ex-Gov. Oglesby and wife, and while there Mr. May made one of a party which engaged in an old-fashioned Kentucky 'coon hunt. It is said the party succeeded in bagging nine 'coons. The frolicsome ex-governor is not mentioned as having been one of the party. This is a little confusing, as it would be difficult to imagine a successful Kentucky 'coon hunt in the region of Elkhart without Dick Oglesby to shin the trees and shake the game down. Mr. May and other members of the party might carry the torches and "sic" the dogs. It might even be fairly assumed that they could tote along a jug of water for use in case of emergency, but if there was a real good Kentucky bias on the affair and a proper enumeration of the "catch," the people of Decatur must be excused from believing that the Elkhart 'coon hunt could have been such a success with Dick Oglesby left out.



Charity Ball. Wednesday evening Dec. 9th.

Conductor Clark, of the "Jag" Train

Conductor Clark, who runs the Arrow express on the Alton, the accommodation plying between Chicago and Dwight, has had a number of heavy straps with strong buckles made for the purpose of tying down obstreperous candidates for honors at Keeley's institute. The Arrow express is more commonly known as the "jag train," because it never fails to bring into Dwight inebriates who wish to test the bi-chloride of gold. Conductor Clark has had a number of scraps with this class of passengers and has been obliged several times to cut sections from the bell cord to tie in the seats loaded people who proposed to tear the coaches into flinders and break up the locomotives.—*Bloomington Pantagraph.*

Base Ball Gossip.

Jimmie Ryan, the Chicago outfielder, and Jerry Harrington, the Cincinnati catcher, formerly of the Decatur club, will take two teams to St. Augustine Fla., and educate the natives how to play base ball. They claim to have secured suitable grounds, and expect to make a pot of money.

A base ball combination which style themselves the All-American Base Ball Club, sailed from Mobile, Ala., yesterday for Cuba, where they will make a tour of the country, which is to last three months.

CLOSING SALE
—AT—
142 Opera House Block.

The business of The Decatur Sanitary Supply Company will occupy my undivided attention after January. I will, therefore, close out at wholesale or retail the entire stock of the best and most complete line of Men's Furnishing Goods and Hats in any city in the state outside of Chicago. Everything goes at a sacrifice price. Dealers can select from the stock some elegant goods at a less price than they can be bought at the factory. Sale commences Saturday, December 5, and will continue day and night until the stock is sold. JNO. IRWIN, Atty.
Will also sell lease and fixtures.
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Cigarettes Must Go.

There is a movement on foot among the dealers in tobacco and cigars to banish forever the cigarette from the cases of Jacksonville merchants. If it achieves its object, as it undoubtedly will, a petition will soon be presented to the city council, signed by all the dealers of importance in the city, making it unlawful to retail the disgusting little weed. The great majority of cigarette smokers are young boys who smoke because they think that it is smart. It is to cut off this class that the dealers are especially anxious to have the ordinance passed. It is a good move.—*Jacksonville Journal.*

You Are Invited.

The ladies of the First M. E. Church will have a sale in the Lecture Room of the Church on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 10 and 11. There will be fancy articles, dolls, and everything pretty, for sale. Oysters will be served Thursday evening; dinner and supper Friday. Everybody invited. d1td

AT the next term of the Circuit court which convenes in December, a jury will be impaneled and it will only take a few minutes to prove that J. L. Peake & Son are selling Watches, Clocks & Jewelry cheaper than any Jewelry house in Decatur. They have got an endless variety of different patterns in Jewelry. They have no large expenses and can afford to sell at a less profit, and all through the month of December will continue to sell at slaughtering prices. Call at 138 Merchant street and see the Bargains.
18-d1m

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

In the County Court.

Yesterday afternoon the will of the late Adam Bantner was offered for probate. The testator died at his home in Macon township on November 30. The estate consists of personal property valued at $300, and 400 acres of land in Macon township described as follows: The north half of section 8, and the east half of the southwest quarter of section 17. The testator gives his widow, Elizabeth Bantner, a life interest in the entire estate and upon her death it is all to be sold and divided equally among his children, Adam, Joseph, Frek, Anna M., William and Maggie Bantner, and Mary Griffin. All of his children have received small gifts from their father during his lifetime, and he enumerates in his will the value of each, directing that each heir shall be charged with the amount set opposite his name, so that there can be no question about each one getting only his share. He named his son, Fred Bantner, as executor of the will.

W. P. Sleeter was appointed administrator of the estate of D. P. Zimmerman, who died at Boody November 25, leaving 76 acres of land, a half interest in a saw mill and other personal property. The bond is for $5,800.

A Knotty Affair.

John C. Rice and his clever company of comedians, direct from their New York success, will be at the Grand Thursday evening Dec, 10, in the latest farce comedy success "A Knotty Affair." This will be Mr. Rice's initial bow in Decatur as an individual star and the verdict will be awaited with no little interest. "A Knotty Affair" is said to possess greater merit than the average play of its class, inasmuch as it has a plot and a story that is told in a coherent and laughable manner. It deals with the adventures of a country editor and shows the complications into which men fall who recklessly change their names.

The first act occurs in the sanctum of the Boonville Vindicator; the second in the sunset flats, New York; the third at a Kirmess. In the second and third acts some excellent specialties are introduced in a natural manner. Chief among them may be mentioned, Mr. Rice's inimitable dancing in the "Music Lesson," the singing of Miss Ada Jones, the song and dance, "Love I will be true." The burlesque scene from "Anthony and Cleopatra," by Ross and Fenton, and the dancing of little Bessie Clayton.

The company supporting Mr. Rice contains such well known people as Charles J. Ross, Richard J. Jones, Geo. W. Barnum, Miss Kate Toncray, Miss Sally Cohon, Miss Mabel Fenton and others.

GIRLS' BOOKS, the Bessie Books, the Leslie Books, Miss Alcott's Books, Zig-Zag Books, the Vassar Girls, and a host of other good books for girls, at the Postoffice Book Store.
5-d&w1w SAXTON & ANDREWS.

FRIGHTFUL ACCIDENT.

Collision Between a Big Four Engine and a Crowded Street Car.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 5.—As a West Indianapolis street car was crossing a network of railroad tracks at Kentucky avenue, a Big Four passenger engine backing down from the depot, struck it and made a complete wreck of it. There were sixteen passengers in the car and they were thrown in every direction. Strange as it may seem, none were killed outright, but three persons were seriously hurt and six others more or less bruised.

Mrs. Mary Jordan was knocked across the car and her hip dislocated. Mrs. James Wilburn had her left arm broken and suffered painful injuries. Samuel Earl, a workman at the American wheel works, was injured in the back, and had his face bodly cut by broken glass.

The engineer had no lights on the rear of his engine, and the flagman was looking the other way.

DEATH IN A GALE.

Twelve Barges Capsized and Many of Their Tenders Missing.

HAVERSTRAW, N. Y., Dec. 5.—The storm in this vicinity last night was terrific. A serious accident is reported from the river. While the steamer Townsend, of the Cornell Steamboat Co., was towing twelve brick barges down the river, last night, a severe gale suddenly sprang up, struck the tow in Haverstraw bay, sinking or overturning all twelve of the barges, which were loaded with brick for the New York market. It is stated that the barges were manned by about fifty men, thirty of whom were picked up by the Townsend and brought to this place. Those saved claim that at least fifteen or twenty men were drowned. Two men, Richard Nagle and Charles Williams, are known to be lost, having been seen to go down by some of those who were rescued.

The Financial Flurry in Melbourne.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 4.—The suspensions of banks and other financial institutions, noted in yesterday's dispatches, led to a run on the Standing Bank of Australia, and it soon closed its doors. The bank's capital is £1,000,000, of which £25,000 was called up. The situation is easier to-day and it is believed the crisis has passed. Assistance has been offered by the principal assurance society of the colony. A bill to prevent loss to depositors through compulsory winding up of building societies contrary to their wishes was passed by the colonial parliament last night.

Will Lynch the Murderers if Caught.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 5.—A special from Buffalo, Wyo., says: Thursday the body of John Tisdale, a stock "rustler," was brought to this place. He was shot from ambush. Yesterday the body of James Jones, a rancher, who was also suspected of stock stealing, was brought in. He had been murdered on the same road near where Tisdale was killed. Cowboys have organized a vigilance committee and will lynch the murderers if caught.

Judge Rising on the Sick List.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 4.—Because of the illness of Judge Rising the trial of Dr. Graves did not proceed this morning. It is probable that it will be resumed to-morrow morning, as the judge thinks a day's rest will put him on his feet again.

THE City Book Store keeps all the popular games, viz: Chess, checkers, backgammon, parcheesi, halma, Nellie Bly, telegraph boy, tiddledy winks, fishing pond, parlor quoits, authors, and a great variety of small games. J. H. Bevans.
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When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

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100 PIECE DINNER SET
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A fine line for the above price.

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See this Great Bargain.
Gold Trimmed Carlsbad China,
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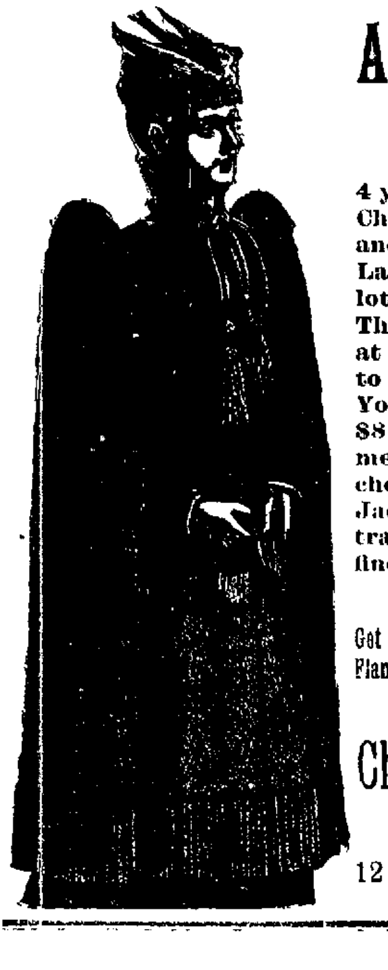

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Good Shoes, Working Shoes,
Cheap Shoes, Sunday Shoes,
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For Farmers, Butchers and Brewers.

Ladies' and Gents' Over-Gaiters, Ladies' and Gents' Stocking Heel Protectors, Boys' and Gents' Patent Leather Dancing Slippers, Rubber Instep-Overs and Foot-Holders, Holiday Slippers, Doll Shoes, Babies' Chamois and Soft Sole Shoes.

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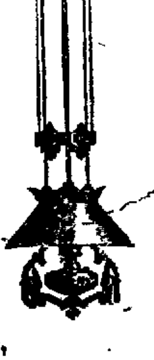

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WINGATE'S LAMP STORE.
Central Block, Merchant St.

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SATURDAY EVE, DEC 5, 1891

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

MEETING of the city council Monday night

CIRCUIT court will convene Monday at 30 p m

THE Charles Dickson "Incog" company went to Cincinnati to day

BY all means you should see Peake & Son's elegant display of jewelry 5d6

THE Decatur Pastors will meet on Monday next at 10 a m room 1, at First M E church

WHEN it comes to giving low prices on watches Peake & Son can knock all the jewelers out 5d6

DON'T fail to hear Rev Onsel on Personal Liberty at the W C T U room, Sunday at 3 30 p m

PEAKE & SON are taking the lead these holidays on showing fancy designs in watches, clocks and jewelry 5d6

FRENCH DESK PADS all shades also the Crepe Tissue at the Post Office Book Store SAXTON & ANDREWS 5 d&w1w

SPECIAL trunks and sample cases made to order, repairing neatly done Decatur Trunk and Box Company, No 300 North Water street 5d2w

SUNDAY school teachers will find an elegant line of booklets and cards for the classes at the Post Office Book Store Saxton & Andrews 5d&w1w

CHAPLAIN McCABE will soon deliver his famous lecture entitled The Bright Side of Life in Libby Prison in Decatur under the auspices of the Y M C A of this city

AN elegant line of traveling bags in alligator seal and grain leather at Decatur Trunk and Box Company's, No 300 North Water street 5d2w

A H MILLS will continue the gospel meeting in the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association on Sunday afternoon All men invited to attend

WHY not patronize home industry, if you can do as well or better? To be convinced of this call at Decatur Trunk and Box Factory, No 300 North Water street 5d2w

DAILY Mrs Elijah Jett is regaining strength Soon she will be strong enough to go to St Louis to reside with her brother, W A Cole who is yet in Decatur

SOME [illegible] tered Wesley chapel at Randolph, McLean county and [illegible] beautiful pulpit bible by tearing [illegible] in two lengthwise

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THE city of Jacksonville has several mounted mail carriers The town is spread out and as the number of carriers is limited it is necessary to provide horses to make all calls on time

ETCHINGS No more elegant Christmas present can be given than a fine Etching and no better stock to select from than can be found at the Postoffice Book Store SAXTON & ANDREWS 5 d&w1w

TAKE dinner and supper with the ladies of the First M E church Friday Dec 11 You will not regret it Prices thirty five and twenty five cents Oysters, ice cream and cake served on Thursday evening 2t

NEXT Monday night at the St Nicholas hotel there will be a social party and ball, given by Champaign county people The Opera orchestra has been engaged for the occasion and L W Friburg will be the prompter

GEO W. EHRHART & CO's candy factory is working day and night making up a fine lot of candy for the Christmas trade Their candy is fresh and wholesome ask your dealers for it made here at home

"A THING of beauty is a joy forever" Then attend the Christmas sale in the lecture room of the First M E church on Thursday evening Dec 10 Secure some of the novelties displayed there and please yourself and friends 2t

STRANGE as it may seem there are some mighty good people living in McLean county at least in a community near Carlock where Mrs Stutzman, whose husband died recently lives About thirty neighbors turned out and husked 1500 bushels of corn for her.

H. MUELLER & SONS since the English sparrow death bounty law went into effect, have been kept hustling to keep air guns and shot in stock to supply the trade They have already sold a half gross of these guns and only this morning telegraphed for 10 bags of BB shot, which means over a million of these little shot

MERCHANTS and others who want letters sent through to New York and other points in the east, should mail their letters in the postoffice before the closing. Letters taken to the hotels and the depot later than 8 o'clock, do not get into the through pouch, and consequently they do not go through as promptly as those which go into the pouch Take a note of this and get letters into the postoffice by 8 o'clock at night

MRS LILLY O WYATT, wife of Frank Wyatt, was found dead in bed by her husband at Springfield. Wyatt and wife have been staying at Mrs Marshall's boarding house, where the death occurred. The unfortunate woman has been subject to epileptic fits, and it is supposed that it was during one of these that she expired Her husband made the discovery on awakening, when he called to his wife but received no answer He then turned up the lamp, and found she was dead. The verdict returned was that death was caused by an epileptic fit.

MINNEAPOLIS has started a relief measure for the starving Russian peasants All that is wanting is the consent of the Czar that the great gift may be accepted. The scheme is to send a shipload of flour to Russia by the middle of January, and the 5,000 merchant millers of America are to be asked to help The cargo will be 3,000 tons, or 6,000 000 pounds, or 60, 000 parcels, worth $125 000 The Russian Minister at Washington has been communicated with, and in his absence the Charge d'Affaires at New York wires that he has laid the matter before his country.

The Society Attraction.

Daniel Frohman's Charity Ball company will be seen at the Grand Opera House next Wednesday evening for its last time here. A performance of this delightful drama fully equal to that of last season is promised, and to people that know Daniel Frohman's quality that promise means a certainty To readers not conversant with the inside workings of things theatrical, but who have seen the good work and finished performances of the Lyceum Theater traveling companies in seasons past, it may be of interest to know something of the manner in which such companies are prepared for the season's work out on the road' After the company is made up, months will elapse before rehearsals begin but when they do begin, Mr Frohman's hand may be seen in everything He superintends, personally, every rehearsal of his companies and nothing escapes him No business, no reading, no detail is left to chance Everything is arranged before the company leaves the stage of the home theater and the people are drilled into their parts so thoroughly that there is no chance of variation in a performance from one end of the season to the other

Funeral of Miss Carter

The remains of the late Miss Adelia Carter arrived in the city this morning from Little Rock Ark A large number of friends of the deceased met the remains at the depot and followed them to the grave in Greenwood Cemetery, where they were laid to rest with a short burial service conducted by Rev James Miller, of the First M E church The pall bearers were Messrs D C Moffett, D A Maffit W H Starr Wm Traver G. W [illegible] and O N Bramble

Preventable Sickness"

was the subject of a pleasing and profitable lecture delivered by the well known physician Dr H C Jones, yesterday afternoon before the pupils at the Decatur Business College Prof Brown has introduced a series of lectures into the course at the college, and they promise to be very beneficial to the students That talk yesterday afternoon was highly appreciated and the remarks made quite an impression on the scholars

Inspected the Mines

The county board committee on Mines and Mining Supervisors Whitley, Mulder, Furrey, Singleton and Newell, inspected the coal mines in Macon county this week Yesterday they were at Niantic To day they visited the Decatur mines Six hundred feet below the surface Mr Newell struck his head against [illegible] and received a slight injury The county board will meet next Tuesday

$18.00.

If you want the best set you ever saw in your life look at our [illegible] piece CARLSBAD *Decorated Dinner Set* at $18 00 It is a beautiful decoration, all trimmed in gold A decided bargain

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PERSONAL MENTION

O C Kinsman is visiting friends in St Louis

Mrs C M Imboden has returned from Chicago

D R Alexander is in Cincinnati on business

Mrs David Guy is in Mattoon visiting friends

C L Knight is in Dalton City to day on business

George W Dillinger of Oreana is in the city to day

Victor C Wait left to day for Chicago on a business trip

Miss Anna Lutlow went to LaPlace to day to spend Sunday

Smith Crowder departed last night for Spokane Falls via Chicago

[illegible] and Harry Eskew are in Mt Zion to day on business

Miss J[illegible] Jackson of Chicago will sing solo at the [illegible] to morrow evening

Thomas Hardy of Bay City Mich is in the city visiting Geo W Hardy and family

Mr and Mrs Lewis Merriweather have returned from a visit with relatives and friends in St Louis

Mrs John Charlton, of Lawrence, Kan, is the guest of her daughter Mrs I B Ewing and family Mrs Charlton will be in the city until after Christmas

Henry Learn of Woodhull Ill is in the city visiting his aunt Mrs I N Coltrin Mr Learn is on his way to Pennsylvania where he may engage in business

Mrs A P Simmons will give a reception Thursday afternoon Dec 10 to her lady friends at her elegantly appointed home on West William street from 2 until 5 o'clock

Mr and Mrs J F Grindol who were married at St Paul, Minn Thursday afternoon, arrived in the city last night and will at once go to housekeeping on North Main street

Dr L H Baker of Chicago is in the city visiting his former medical student, Dr Pierce Collins The Dr is an old army surgeon, and has been engaged in the active practice of medicine for fifty years

F E Wangelin of Belleville, arrived in the city last night to join his wife, who is in the city visiting her parents Mr and Mrs G S Steele on Prairie avenue Mr and Mrs Wangelin will leave to morrow afternoon for their home

Judge H C McDougal of Kansas City, Mo is in the city He is associated with Attorney John A Brown in the defense of Lycurgus Landis who with Mr Smith has been indicted for false pretenses in a trade with Henry Flynn the Decatur grocer The Judge paid the REPUBLICAN a call to day

Samuel H Jepson brother in law of Frank H Converse of this city is visiting the latter Mr Jepson went to Tacoma some years ago with F L Judson who started a coffin factory there Since the factory burned (it has been rebuilt) Mr. Jepson has been at Portland, San Francisco and several other points on the Pacific Slope He thinks he prefers Illinois to that locality and will settle down here

Misfits

Should never be allowed in merchant tailoring You will, however, find that many dealers complain that some men are misfits to begin with and cannot get clothes to fit them This is not the case with us We can take any style of person and fit them out in new clothes so that, instead of a ridiculous appearance we could turn them into a thing of beauty 'to all observers." It is true, we can fit you, no matter how slim or stout you are. All it takes for you is a trial. Every day more and more of these gentlemen that have a prejudice against tailors they have not tried, and were in the habit of paying high prices, give us a call and get fitted just as well, but for a moderate price Please consider this and you will profit in buying your stylish garments

DENZ & SON
158 Merchant St

$3.00

buys from us One Dozen 16 pwt. Silver Plated Knives *Small dealers* ask you $3 25 for 12 pwt. 16 pwt. means ⅓ more silver on every dozen

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A STATE AGENT IN JAIL.

J T. McKibben in Custody at Sandoval, Ill

Members of the Macon County F M, B A and kindred associations will remember a tall, sandy-whiskered man, named J T. McKibben, who paid several visits to Decatur as a state agent, attending the meetings of farmers and having a good deal to say. McKibben is now in jail at Sandoval, preferring to stay there instead of giving bail and turning himself loose among his neighbors, who only last spring elected him supervisor on the F M. B A ticket During the past two weeks the farmers and citizens in the vicinity of Sandoval, Salem and other towns have been in a state of terror, caused by a band of barn burners who sneaked out at night and applied the torch not only to barns but to dwelling houses and store buildings The investigation to discover the incendiaries resulted in the arrest of McKibben as one of the leaders of the lawless band which styled itself "The Levelers" or "The Equalizers,' parties who had resolved to destroy the property of people who had prospered in life by hard work and industry

E R Moffett of Blue Mound, has a cousin at Sandoval, Ill His name is John L Robertson, and he is the postmaster at Sandoval He has sent a letter to Mr Moffett In it he states that McKibben is afraid to be at large, and that night after night the towns have been in a state of siege, and volunteer martial law has prevailed to the extent that the business men and farmers are nearly worn out with watching property

And the Iron Boy Grins.

A story or rather a joke came to light this morning in the Citizens, Electric street railway circles which the narrator states eclipses any ever told on any of the street car employes It happened a short time ago, when the sky was heavily laden with dark and dreary looking clouds, that one of the faithful motormen on this line was running his car on West Main street toward the center of the city at a high rate of speed When near the Montgomery residence he thought he saw a figure standing at the side of the track beckoning for the car It took but a short while to shut off the electricity and stop the car, after waiting a few seconds he grew impatient and calling out to the object asked if the car was wanted Then receiving no answer his wrath began to gurgle in his throat and he called out in a loud and fierce manner 'Say youngster, if you ever stop this car again when you do not want to ride I'll get out and give you the worst thrashing you ever got' Still no reply The motorman then got down from his post of duty and approached the object. Nearer inspection revealed the fact that it was the iron hitching post representing a jockey boy holding forward his hand for the halter The revelation almost overcame the poor man, and it was with difficulty that he returned to the car The story is now related by a friend of the motorman who was passing at the time of the mistake and who reveals the fact only on our promise to mention no names.

Splendid

Mr Charles Dickson's elite comedy company gave two gem plays at the Grand last night the first being a domestic scene over a salt cellar in one act, and the second being the roaring three-act farce "Incog" of which a California lady, Mrs R Pacheco is the author The play was a treat It was clean and fresh bright and amusing and all were well pleased Unfortunately Mr Charles Dickson owing to sudden illness was unable to appear On his arrival here he went to his room at the European Hotel, where he was attended by Dr C C Chenoweth The company left to-day for Cincinnati The date there is for the first night was cancelled The character was cleverly taken last night by Robert [illegible]

Getting Oppressive

It is claimed by the police who have made repeated raids upon "Idlewild" that Mrs L A Davis has really decided to sell out and leave Decatur She is quoted as stating that she cannot stand the raids, that they are too hot for her, and figuratively speaking she throws up her hands She is fined $200 to $100 every term of court and between terms she is arrested four or five times, and each time she is forced to come down with $35 to $50 to escape going to jail Mrs Davis has advertised her place for sale or rent Who wants it?

Sales of Real Estate

Fred L Williams to Jacob B Williams, quit claim to undivided one half lots 31 and 32 in block 2, Durfee, Warren & Co 's first addition also 11 feet off the north ends of lots 31 and 32, same addition—$200

John Stare to William Ritchie, deed to lot 15, block 9 town of Warrensburg—$100

Harvey B Toole to Jonathan Grider, deed to lots 9 10, 11 and 12, block 2, Argenta—$800

Elijah Jett's Team

This afternoon, under a chattel mortgage, the span of horses and wagon owned by Elijah Jett, who committed suicide in the Busher building, was sold at auction by Deputy Sheriff Midkiff, in front of the Court House Bidding was not spirited The purchaser was J B Morehood of Decatur, whose bid was $91 50 The claim on the mortgage is $[illegible]0 and costs

The Baptist Bazaar

The Baptist Bazaar, the success of which is largely due to the personal management of Mrs W. R Scruggs, at the head of the committee, closed this afternoon Another splendid dinner was served to day

Born

To Mr and Mrs Charles Burrow, 1418 North Calhoun street, Dec 2, a daughter

To Mr and Mrs Henry Walzer, 185 West Decatur street, Dec 4, a daughter

To Mr and Mrs S B. Mount, on Dec 3, a daughter

$35.00.

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Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

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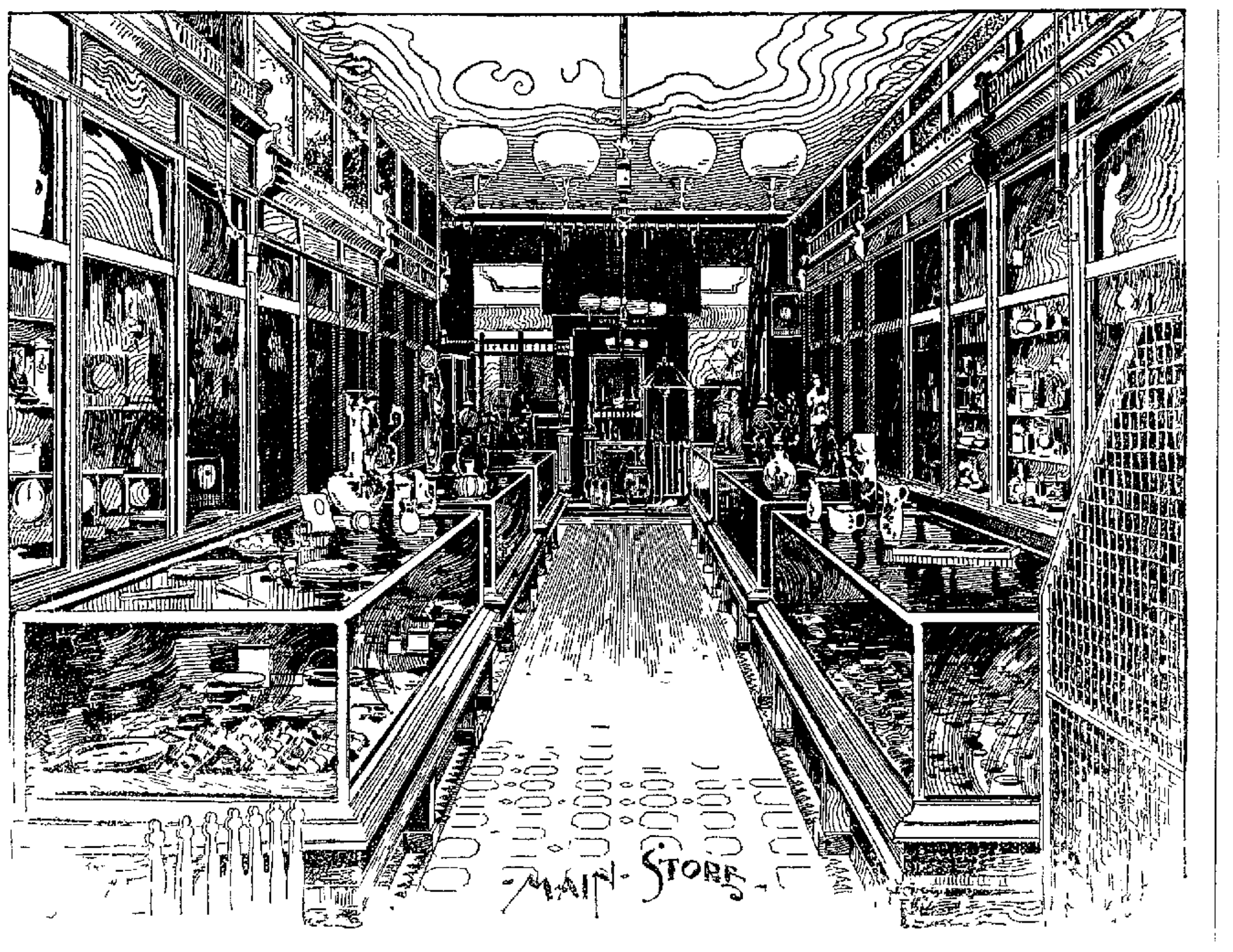

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OUR RECORD shows we have sold nearly 5,000 Watches this year. We hope to bring it up, during the *days of December*, to that *figure*. It is so easy for every dealer to lay claim to being the *lowest priced* house that it seems to be the rage. This, however, you will notice, is claimed without meeting any of our advertised low prices on watches.

It is the price that substantiates the claim to being *low priced*.

100 Ladies' Watches, gold filled,	at $18.00 up
100 Gents' " " "	" 18 00 "
100 Ladies' " solid gold,	" 25.00 "
100 Gents' " " "	" 40 00 "
300 Misses', Boys' and Gents' Silver watches,	7.75 "

We invite you to see these goods and compare them with anything in the market at seven to ten dollars more money.

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We have never shown before such a large stock of loose and mounted Diamonds. We mount all kinds of loose stones in our own shop, and lay claim to showing more new designs than can be shown where one has to buy of mounting makers entirely. We buy every pretty design we see made by other manufacturers, and we make a great many of our own which seem to be the most pleasing to the greatest number of our customers.

JEWELRY.

In Jewelry we show the best selections from all the manufacturers in this country, and many designs of our own. This is a class of goods you like to see a variety of. You can see a greater variety with us in a few minutes than you can find in the entire city.

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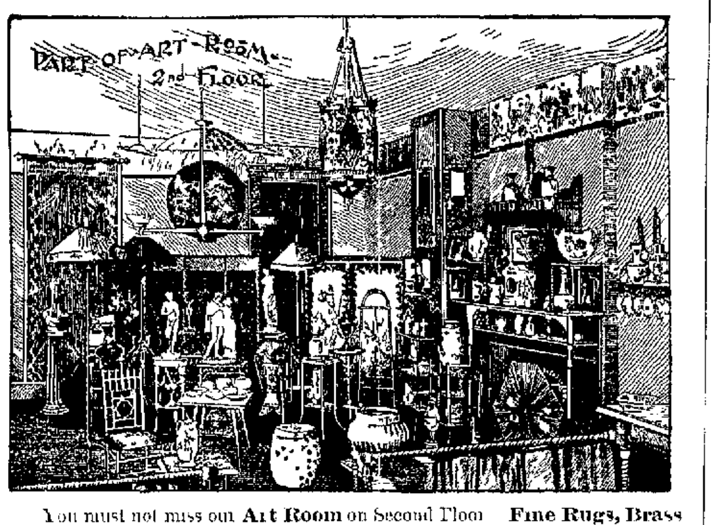

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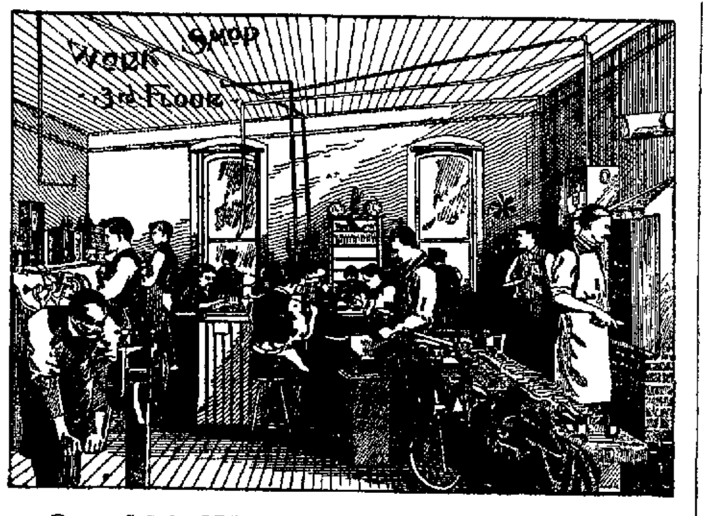

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This China Room you must see to appreciate it. The variety is there, and the price is so low that you will wonder at your having so long paid double the price we ask for this kind of merchandise.

Our China Department has become a **settled** and **successful** feature of our business. The only opposition we have here has held a monopoly so long that they were surprised last year to see us offer goods so low, and made some demonstration to meet our prices, but this season they seem to have **"laid down"** easy. YOU DON'T HEAR OF ANY ONE ELSE OFFERING

100	Piece English Dinner Sets,	at $ 6.50
107	" Vienna China Dinner Sets,	" 18.00
118	" Haviland China Dinner Sets	" 37.75
12	" English Decorated Chamber Sets,	3.90

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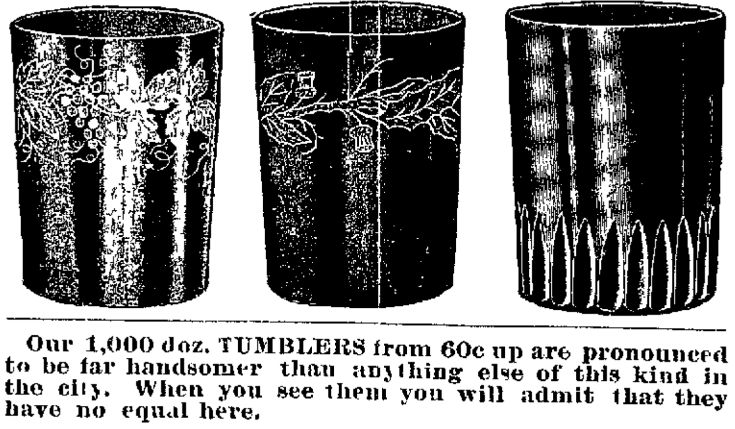

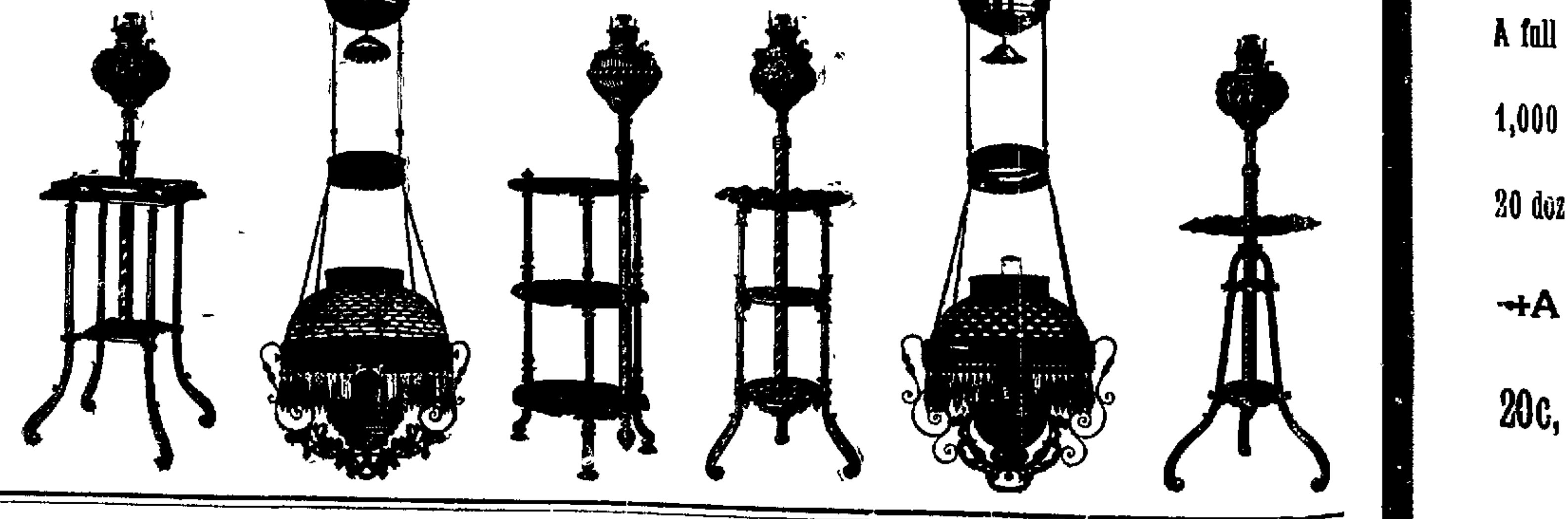

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